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THE NEW-YORK CHARTER.

Passage of the Bill in the Assembly Last Evening.

Tom Fields Argues Against the Proposed Reforms.

Mr. Alvord Supports It as a Non-Partisan Measure.

A Lengthy Speech by Mr. Tilden on the Charter.

Dr. Carnochan Removed and Dr. Vanderpool Appointed Health Officer.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Tuesday, Feb. 27, 1872.

The lobbies of the Assembly Chamber were crowded at the opening of the session, this morning, with the friends and opponents of the Seventy's charter, in expectation of the final struggle that was expected to take place when the bill came up for a third reading. The Committee of Seventy was largely represented and confident of victory, while Commissioner VAN NORT and several members of the Board of Aldermen, who desire to retain the places of which the new charter will deprive them, were nervously dodging about, hoping against hope, and praying that something might turn up to delay its passage until amendments could be introduced, with a view to its ultimate defeat. It was apparent, however, to those who had taken pains to sound members since the recess that the sentiment of the majority was in favor of passing the charter as it is without unnecessary delay. Inquiries at the Clerk's desk disclosed the fact that the charter stood No. 10 in the order of third readings, and all waited patiently for it to be reached. It was 1¼ P. M. before the Clerk lifted the ponderous document to his reading-desk, and the Speaker announced to the House the "bill to reorganize the local Government of New-York." The title had scarcely escaped his lips when TOM FIELDS sprang to his feet and roared out "Mr. Speaker!" in such a thundering tone of voice that the presiding officer had no alternative but to recognize him. FIELDS commenced by moving that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Cities. He said the minority members of the House had participated but little in the discussion of this charter. He for one, had not entered into the discussion, because he did not wish to embarrass the proceedings in relation to it. But in a measure of so great importance to the people of New-York as this, he thought the minority ought to have an opportunity of expressing their views, and he would endeavor to express his as briefly as possible, promising at the outset that he had no desire to make any factious opposition to the passage of the bill. Mr. FIELDS then proceeded to argue against the cumulative voting feature of the charter, claiming that it was clearly unconstitutional, and would be so declared by the Court of Appeals. He cited the Constitution of 1777—the first ever adopted in the State—and the law by which the manner of voting was changed from viva voce to ballot, to show that the framers of the Constitution which formed the basis of the constitutions of 1821 and 1846 clearly designed that voters should be permitted to cast one and only one ballot for any candidate for office. His next objection was to section twenty-three of the Seventy's charter, which he claimed would permit thirteen out of forty-five aldermen to fill a vacancy in a department caused by the removal of a Commissioner by the Mayor for cause. He submitted that this was carrying the principle of minority representation to an unwarranted extent. He also argued that the Charter of Seventy, or any other charter that curtailed the term of office of the present Mayor, or any other elected officer of New-York, without abolishing the office, was unconstitutional and totally inoperative. In support of this proposition he cited the unanimous opinion of the present Court of Appeals in the case of FOWLER vs. BELL, finally he objected to the charter because of the amendment adopted to section twenty-two, which forbids the appropriation of any moneys to the support of charitable or parochial schools.

Mr. ALVORD next obtained the floor and said that he should be compelled to vote against the motion of the gentleman to recommit; yet he desired to make a few remarks before voting for the bill. Instead of being convinced of the propriety, or constitutionality, or practicability of this charter, by all he had heard in its favor, he was now, as he ever had been, of the opinion that it would prove a perfect failure. But while there appeared to be no organized opposition to it among the citizens of New-York who were to be subject to its provisions, there came up here seventy leading and highly respectable gentlemen from that City who claimed, and had a right to claim, to represent its people, and who had been foremost in the Reform movement there, and urge the passage of this charter. Under these circumstances there appeared to be but one alternative for members residing out of New-York, and that was to vote for the bill. But, while he did so, he wished to say, for one, that he did not assume any responsibility for the practical working and future results of the charter. Mr. TILDEN was next on his feet but before he had time to get off his first sentence Mr. JACOBS, who saw visions of a gold dollar slipping from his grasp if he allowed the gentleman from Gramercy Park to make a speech, rose and requested to inform the House that the Republican Party in New-York was digging its own grave in this charter, and that the Democracy would walk in in solid ranks at election day to administer upon the estate and take possession of all the offices which the Committee of Seventy had reallotted for their benefit. The Speaker cut short these hopes and on the first vote ever taken every Democrat in the Assembly, except CRESSON, of Troy, and PAINE, of New-York, recorded himself in opposition to the charter. This was a surprise to many, and indicated a purpose on the part of the Democracy, including those who were chosen as Reformers, to overturn legislation at the next municipal election if would the charter be a Republican measure, and to endeavor to carry the election on party ground, and on the prejudices they may as yhile to excite against the Republican ticket, as a measure of Republican origin and for its entire support, and on the strong ground that it was a non-partisan measure. This unexpected manifestation of the Democratic sentiment is but another illustration of the folly of attempting to force a compromise measure down the throats of the Democracy, and of the strong desire that it will never become a law. Some slight changes were made at early hour after the bill was first introduced. It is obvious by some that the Democrats had resolved on obstruction (and no wonder they were, if, and whenever, and wherever, it came with them in all its venom. Of the eight nine votes in favor of the charter only two, as above stated, are Democrats, and of the vote against, eight Republicans, and of the vote against, eight Republicans, and of the vote against, eight Republicans

THE REVISION OF THE STATUTES.

Amid the excitement caused by the enactment of laws of local or temporary interest, a legislative work of vast general importance and permanency has been going on for the last two years, so quietly, that outside of the legal profession, but few persons know that it is in progress. We refer to the general revision of the Statutes of this State, which was ordered by an act passed in February, 1870, and the results of which have recently come to the surface, so far as it has progressed, in certain legislative documents. We shall devote some attention to these, not the less willingly, because they incidentally reveal certain not very creditable performances on the part of a gentleman who has made a reference in these columns to some of his labors as a member of the lobby of 1870, the pretext for a vast amount of frothy assumption of patriotism, integrity, and public virtue.

Under the act of 1870, Ex-Judge ALMAS J. PARKER and Messrs. FRANCIS KERNAN, of Utica, and MONTGOMERY H. THROOP, of New-York, were appointed Commissioners to revise the statutes. These appointments were, we believe, generally approved by the legal profession. But Mr. KERNAN having declined, it became necessary to find a substitute. Just at this time Ex-Judge NELSON J. WATERBURY was engaged in his patriotic efforts at Albany in connection with the election law, having been sent up by Hon. HORACE GREELEY, with credentials to Senator WINSLOW, empowering him, as the one honest Democrat of this City, to direct the Republican legislators how to vote upon the TWEED charter. By a singular coincidence it occurred to Messrs. TWEED and SWEENY that Judge WATERBURY was just the man to fill this vacancy. True, the salary ($5,000 a year) would be only a moderate recompense for an efficient discharge of the duties of the office, but it is a handsome compensation for doing nothing, and the nature of the duties is such that the amount of work done can be regulated entirely by the appointee. Mr. WATERBURY was accordingly pressed upon the Governor for the place, and, considering the influence of his backers, it is not surprising that he got it, although the leading lawyers of both parties protested against the appointment as one "not fit to be made."

By the terms of the act the Commissioners are required to report yearly their progress to the Legislature. Early in the session of 1871 Messrs. PARKER and THROOP, as a majority of the Commission, made a full report of their proceedings up to that time, stating at length the principles which they had adopted for the prosecution of their work, and giving a complete analysis of the proposed revision, except that part relating to criminal law. The absence of Judge WATERBURY's name from this report was not explained beyond a statement that the Commissioners had been unable completely to harmonize all the differences of opinion which had arisen in the course of their labors.

But Judge WATERBURY himself afterward supplied the information by a minority report, a document which, owing to its transmission to the Legislature only upon the very eve of the adjournment, has never received the attention which its extraordinary character claims. It appears from this paper that Judge WATERBURY had not only become dissatisfied with the general plan of the classification and arrangement of the statutes adopted by his associates, but had also become apprehensive that in carrying it out they would make greater changes in the existing laws than was warranted by their authority. An ordinary man in like circumstances would either have accompanied his protest against his colleagues' action with his own resignation, or, if he retained office and was unwilling to fall in with his associates' plan, would have endeavored to demonstrate the superiority of his own plan by carrying it into actual operation, in order to contrast its results with the results of the other.

But Mr. WATERBURY found a much easier method for a minority to avoid labor and responsibility, and, as it is probably not patented, we will state it for the benefit of others in like cases. He appeals to public opinion against what his colleagues have done, and what he thinks they are going to do, and announces his intention to wait for its development before aiding in accomplishing any plan. We will anticipate events somewhat here by stating that he waited accordingly until September, 1871, when he entered, it would appear, upon an era of waiting for something else. During all this time, as it appears from the vouchers in the Controller's office, he not only drew his salary of $5,000 a year with praiseworthy diligence and punctuality, but he expended large sums of money from the fund allowed for that purpose to cover his expenses in the course of his arduous official labors. We are told by those who have seen the vouchers that the items of these expenses present a study almost as curious as those of McBRIDE DAVIDSON's trade account, although much more limited, not only in amount, but in the number of transactions. The principal items consist of sums paid by way of clerk hire to persons bearing the same name as himself, whose relationship to him we care not now to make the subject of curious inquiry; but large sums were also paid for the purchase of current law reports, to enable the Commissioner to prepare proper annotations to the statutes; and there are other charges for stationery, &c., the use of which, while carrying out the plan of waiting for the development of public opinion, is not apparent to the unofficial eye.

The annual reports of the Commission made at the present session of the Legislature, give the history of its proceedings during the year 1871; we say "reports," for Mr. WATERBURY turns up this year also in the character of a "minority." It appears from the majority report that Judge PARKER and Mr. THROOP, regarding Mr. WATERBURY's conduct as a virtual abandonment of the duties of his office, divided the work among themselves and proceeded upon it without reference to their colleague. In May, 1871, Judge PARKER resigned, and thereafter Mr. THROOP went on alone until the appointment, about the 1st of July, of Mr. CHAS. STEBBINS, Jr., of Cassenovia, to fill the vacancy occasioned by Judge PARKER's resignation. Mr. STEBBINS at once entered upon the discharge of his duties, and has long made a careful examination of the work done in large measure by his associates, with instead his views to their in August, 1871. In September, 1871, his propositions, with some trifling amendments, were adopted by a majority, and the three commissioners, with equal unanimity, resolved "diligently to complete the revision of that branch." The adoption of this plan and resolution was considered to bodeful the disappearance in the Commission, but as Judge WATERBURY's minority report of one year since, a new difference was immediately manifested; the new split having in this occurred on the very day when the old one was healed. It seems upon the request of the minority that Judge WATERBURY would examine the statutes already revised by them, and take up some portion of the work yet to be done, the "minority" emphatically "declined" to do. He expressed the opinion that the majority had begun wrong, and, therefore, proposed that the Commission should begin anew, by preparing an analyzed index of all the statutes of the State, a work the utility of which, say the majority, "would not be commensurate with the concentration and consumption of time which it would require." Mr. WATERBURY does not inform us why this work, so valuable and even indispensable as he declares it to be, was not even commenced by him during the fifteen months which elapsed between his appointment and the meeting in September, 1871. What he has done since that time is left upon the documents entirely to conjecture. But as he has supplemented the report of his colleagues by a very long minority report, in which, while complaining very much at what they have done and proposing the treatment appropriate of what they intend to do, he makes no allusion to any work done by himself, we may safely infer that he has not yet begun to get ready, to prepare to enter upon the work of revising the statutes, but has been and still is waiting, at the rate of $5,000 a year and contingent expenses, for the development of public opinion upon the new issues raised between him and his associates at the time when they settled should.

The report of Messrs. THROOP and STEBBINS, which is very interesting in all its parts, describes minutely the work done, the mode of doing it, and the difficulties which they have encountered in the course of its progress. They inform us that they had completed on the 1st of January last the revision of more than one-half of that part of the new Revised Statutes which relates to "Courts and officers of justice and proceedings in civil cases." This part, when completed, will contain the long-wished-for consolidation of the Code of Procedure with the third part of the Revised Statutes of 1830, and the subsequent statutes relating to the same matter. By the provisions of the act of 1870, the work is to be printed in successive installments as it is ready, and copies distributed among the Judges, members of the Bar, &c., for the purpose of obtaining their suggestions. After receiving these suggestions, the entire work is to be reviewed by the Commissioners and reprinted for submission to the Legislature. The first four chapters of the third part, constituting the first installment of the work, have been printed and are in course of distribution, and the others are promised as they can be prepared and published. The pamphlet now before us bears upon its face unmistakable evidence of great care and labor in its preparation, but it has been too recently issued to enable us now to determine either from our own examination of the report of others precisely what commendation to bestow upon the manner in which the majority of the Commissioners have fulfilled their arduous and responsible task.

TRYING THE GRAND JURY.

The Stokes Case Resumed Yesterday—Arguments and Exceptions by Counsel—The Stokes Men their Chum.

The trial of the Grand Jury which indicted STOKES for the murder of JAMES FISK, Jr., was resumed yesterday in the Court of Oyer and Terminer, before Judge CARDOZO. After the Judge had taken his seat, Mr. EMMONS T. GERRY remarked that he intended to prove by witnesses that JAMES FISK, Jr., had appeared before the same Grand Jury that had framed the indictment against STOKES, and had taunted, or with his friends so prejudiced their minds against him, that it was impossible for them to consider the case of the defendant impartially.

Justice CARDOZO thought that evidence of such a nature would be inadmissible, and ruled accordingly.

Mr. McMAHON urged that the evidence was admissible and could be taken with propriety, as the Grand Jury had found an indictment for homicide within a few days after the occurrence. The Grand Jury was an illegal combination, and he would show by facts that damage had been done to the defendant through actual prejudice brought against him by FISK while living.

Justice CARDOZO thought the proposed evidence was too remote to be introduced in the case when STOKES is charged with the homicide of FISK.

Mr. GERRY then offered to show by witnesses that FISK had made an address to the Grand Jury without being subpoenaed, that an indictment had been found without a complaint in writing before a committing Magistrate; that the offense of blackmailing was suggested by FISK to the Grand Jury; that a bill for blackmailing was a true bill was found, by a vote of 14 to 2, no recommendation of that vote was taken, or even suggested; that the case of a criminal prosecution before Justice BOSS, then in progress, was actually suspended from the Grand Jury.

As all the foregoing points had reference to the case of FISK vs. STOKES and MANSFIELD, Justice CARDOZO ruled against them, and exceptions were taken.

CASPAR C. SHEICE, Deputy Commissioner of Jurors, was then examined as to the manner in which the jurors were selected, and the following names were put on that list: Joseph Wehrle, Jacob L. Sikes, Isidore Frey, John M. Conway, John Erdman, James L. Dennet, Edward Van Vellenburg, Washington H. Tallman and Frank Hotchkiss. He said there were about 1,000 jurors in the City, and that the list of jurors "he had told the books did not contain the names of all who were liable to be jury duty."

JOHN J. STORMS, a clerk, was called by the defense, with the intention of proving that the Grand Jury had been tampered with; but the witness swore that he was not present at the time when the alleged tampering had taken place.

JOHN E. MCCORD, the chief clerk of the District-Attorney's office, was examined as to his knowledge of the entry of the defendant for blackmailing on Jan. 4, 1872, and the witness produced the book of impaneling.

The counsel for the defense offered as evidence the indictment in the case of the People against STOKES for homicide, filed Jan. 13, 1872, and the indictment of the People against STOKES and MANSFIELD for conspiracy, filed Jan. 24. Justice CARDOZO admitted the former, but ruled out the latter as too remote. Mr. GERRY and Mr. GERRY took exception, contending that as the latter indictment had been filed, it had become part of the records, and should be admitted.

EDWARD BARRY, furniture dealer, of No. 317 Fourth-avenue, testified that he was a member of the Grand Jury that had indicted STOKES, and had acted as its secretary, keeping the record. Some conversing occurred between the witness and the counsel, during which the facts were elicited that JAMES FISK, Jr., had left the Grand Jury-room, by merely presenting his card to the man who had charge of the door. As this had reference to the indictment found on Jan. 4 for blackmailing, the District-Attorney objected to the evidence, and it was ruled out as immaterial.

WILLIAM H. COGELAN testified that he had been a real estate agent for six years, during which interval he was, during 1870, a clerk in the Department of Public Works. In September, last so said, and still was, in office at No. 2 Tiemann-place. He had never served on a grand jury before September last, but had often been summoned on a petit jury, generally some one summoned from a place; he never paid any commutation money, personally, and did not know if he had been excused; he was the Commissioner's office against his will.

EDWARD J. MOORE testified that he was appointed Public Works on April 11, 1870, and still held the office; he resided on the 10th avenue, near 27th-street, and had never served on a Grand Jury before September last, but had often been summoned on a petit jury; generally some one summoned from a place; he never paid any commutation money personally, and did not know if he had been excused; he was the Commissioner's office against his will.

The defense here rested their case, the Court was adjourned until today at 11 o'clock.

Valuable Auctions on Jersey City.

Mr. WM. GUTTERSON, employed in the New-Jersey Railroad Company's shops, at Weehawken, Jersey City, on Saturday afternoon killed in a certain manner. He was talking to Mr. Barrow, then superintendent, in reference to the machinery, when the latter dodged and the machinery caught Gutterson, and he was thrown across the body. His chest was crushed, and he died almost immediately.

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[illegible] Commerce Awarded.

The new plan for the management of the General Order business in the Custom-house is now fairly completed, and will go into operation as soon as possible. The rate for storage and labor on imported goods should be needed warehouses are materially reduced, and the other objectionable features, due to regulations established in 1857, and since will undergo a thorough reform. The Joint Committee, representing the Chamber of Commerce, warehouse proprietors and Collector of the Port, as stated in yesterday's TIMES, completed their labors on Monday last. The new tariff of charges agreed upon has been printed in pamphlet form, and will be immediately distributed among the merchants of the City interested in the change.

The new plan calls for a reduction of thirty-five to forty per cent in the rates. The present rate contains 220 specified articles, omitting an almost equal number named in the present tariff, against 300 specified articles enumerated in the list of 1857, showing the great increase of business in this port. It is well to remember that fact, before claiming that General Order goods are uncleanly goods and belong to the Government, which is alone responsible for their safety and gave the right to choose the place of storage.

The enforcement of the new plan will not go into effect until the Chamber of Commerce approves of the schedule of prices adopted by the Joint Committee. This postponement is wise, because the Chamber may fix rates so low that it would be no object for warehousemen to go into the General Order business, there being no prospective profit. The Chamber will take action upon the report of the Joint Committee, and the rates to be agreed upon, at their regular meeting this day week.

The following letter of Collector ARTHUR to Secretary BOUTWELL, on the subject of General Order business, affords information of interest:

CUSTOM-HOUSE, NEW-YORK,
COLLECTOR'S OFFICE, Feb. 10, 1872.

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 7th inst., relating to the "General Order business" of New-York. This subject has been under consideration since my assumption of the duties of Collector. On the 31st of December last, I addressed the following communication to the President of the Chamber of Commerce:

CUSTOM-HOUSE, NEW-YORK,
COLLECTOR'S OFFICE, Dec. 31, 1871.

SIR: The rates of storage and labor chargeable on "unclaimed goods, established in 1857, and approved by the Chamber of Commerce in February of that year, have remained without revision. The large increase of business and the requirements of commerce demand the establishment of a schedule of rates for the present time. May I ask the assistance of your honorable body in the appointment of a committee to confer with a committee from this office, for the purpose of fixing a scale of prices, which shall be agreed upon as the future charges at this port?

I am, sir, very respectfully,
CHESTER A. ARTHUR, Collector.

To the President of the Chamber of Commerce.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
OF THE STATE OF NEW-YORK,
NEW-YORK, Feb. 2, 1872.

MY DEAR SIR, Collector of the Port of New-York:

SIR: Your communication of the 31st of December last, requesting the appointment of a committee of the Chamber of Commerce to confer with a committee to be appointed by the Collector of the Port, to revise the rates of storage, &c., the Chamber of Commerce, at its meeting yesterday, appointed Messrs. A. A. LOW, JONATHAN SPONGER, M. H. CRAY, H. MORTON, ROBERT M. WIN, and myself, a committee. The rooms of the Chamber are at the disposal of the Joint Committee whenever they are desired.

Your obedient servant,
GEORGE W. WILSON, Secretary.

On the part of the warehouse proprietors, I appointed Messrs. H. S. Driggs, Franklin Woodruff, Frank Squire, A. H. Miller, and John K. Fay. From this office I appointed Messrs. S. H. Russell, Thomas B. Thorpe, Jos. Trelvar Harvey Major and S. Aiphens Smith. The Committee, to obtain all fitting articles have taken the tariff for 1857 as a guide, and the second is a tariff upon which more articles enumerated as increase over the list of 1857 of about 300 per cent. The rates of storage and labor are increased over those of 1857 from fifteen to twenty-five per cent. It is believed that these rates will be entirely satisfactory to the mercantile community, as they have been adjusted with the greatest fairness and impartiality. The report now being printed will be submitted to the Chamber of Commerce for approval, and when approved by them will be submitted by me for the further approval of the Department. In regard to a discussion of the subject of General Order goods, I would state that several suggestions have been made, which are under consideration, and which will be submitted to the Department with my recommendation as soon as decided upon.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
C. A. ARTHUR, Collector.

Hon. GEORGE S. BOUTWELL, Secretary of the Treasury.

It will be seen that while everything is ready for the proposed reforms, nothing can be done until the the decision of the Chamber of Commerce is known. When that is announced the Collector will endeavor to conform to their ideas and at once remodel the system of receiving and storing bonded goods.

SAVINGS BANKS.

The Market Savings Bank—Patterson's Securities to be Sold.

The Market Savings Bank was again visited yesterday by a number of disconsolate depositors, who expressed the greatest anxiety for their deposits. Mr. WORTH, the receiver, announces that he will re-mortgage all the bonds of the Derby Coal Company, given by C. G. PATTERSON as security for his loan of $14,000, at public auction. PATTERSON has refused all Mr. WORTH's applications for this money, and yesterday sent Mr. DAVID DUDLEY FIELD as his counsel to protest against the sale of the bonds. He says that the bonds belong to the Trustees, have never deserted the bank trust property, Mr. WORTH of the power of disposure of the bonds, and that the bonds, if hurried into the market, will not bring their proper value. He further informs Mr. WORTH that a lawsuit should the bonds be sold. PATTERSON also says that the $14,000 loan was obtained from CONKLIN personally, and had nothing to do with the Market Savings Bank. To this Mr. WORTH replies that PATTERSON well knew that the money lent to him was part of the assets of the Market Bank. The bank will again be open today for the proving of claims by depositors.

The Third-Avenue Savings Bank—Close of the Run.

The run upon the Third-avenue Savings Bank has now virtually ceased. The last week witnessed the last sign of excitement or anxiety on the part of the creditors. The run commenced on the 26 of January, and lasted forty-six days. Yesterday, at about 4 P. M., there were six people in the bank, some of them making deposits, and others drawing out portions of their savings. The officers of the bank say that a very large number of the depositors who, during the excitement of the run, withdrew their money, have returned it with many expressions of renewed confidence, and the business of the bank has resumed its ordinary course. During the entire forty-six days' run about $1,000,000 were withdrawn and the largest withdrawals of any one day were a little over $100,000.

The Judiciary Investigation.

Yesterday the Judiciary Committee left this City for Albany to take part in the discussion of the City Charter. What evidence has thus far been taken has already been laid before the readers of the TIMES. On their return to New-York the Committee propose to continue the investigations of Judge CARDOZO's action as a Judge, and especial attention will be paid to the habeas corpus cases, which are now a subject of marked attention before the Committee. The evidence of Messrs. HOWE and HEMPSTEAD will be taken when the Committee return, and it is probable that Justice DOWLING will also be summoned to testify in the matter.

The Controller's Office.

Controller GREEN paid yesterday to the Department of Parks, for laborers, the sum of $20,000. He will pay today the following bills, viz.:

Engineers, assistants and laborers in construction of sewers, for employes for November and December, 1871 ..... $18,000
Water-assist. pay of inspectors, August to Dec. 31, 1871 6,200
Public Charities and Correction, salaries, December, 1871 18,000

The New-York Juvenile Asylum.

The officers of the New-York Juvenile Asylum have published their twenty-fifth annual report, for the year 1871. This institution consists of a House of Reception, where children are retained during the twenty days in which the committees Magistrates have a right to review their commitments and discharge the subjects of the law; the Asylum proper, which is at present in the City, and a country school in Orleans County, where children are placed out, or are apprenticed to farmers, or sent to the homes of the Institution at Chicago, for which the work of indentures of children is the chief employment.

As one generation of the poor children who were in the House of Reception of children, in the Asylum, and the work received during the year, making 1,104 in all of whom 700 were boys and 404 girls. Of these 1,104 there were 1,000 placed out, 104 remained in the Institution at the close of the year, and 10 died. The number of children placed out in the Asylum for the last nineteen years has averaged over 800 per year. About three-fifths were orphans or half orphans and two-fifths, when received, could neither read nor write. More than one-fifth were foreign born. The average length of the stay of children in the Asylum has been five years, and those of the age from six to twelve. The number of children admitted to the Asylum for the last nineteen years has averaged over 800 per year. About three-fifths were orphans or half orphans and two-fifths, when received, could neither read nor write. More than one-fifth were foreign born. The average length of the stay of children in the Asylum has been five years, and those of the age from six to twelve. The number of children admitted to the Asylum for the last nineteen years has averaged over 800 per year. About three-fifths were orphans or half orphans and two-fifths, when received, could neither read nor write. More than one-fifth were foreign born. The average length of the stay of children in the Asylum has been five years, and those of the age from six to twelve.

MAYOR HALL'S TRIAL.

Six Jurors Obtained, Three Not—The Proceedings Resumed—An Enormous Array of the Count Subpoenaed.

The trial of Mayor HALL for misdemeanor, in neglecting to audit certain accounts presented against the City, was resumed yesterday in the Court of Common Pleas, General Term, before Judge DALY, when three additional jurors were impanelled. The prosecution was represented by Messrs. W. H. Peckham, Lyman Tremain, Henry L. Clinton and Algernon S. Sullivan, and the Mayor was defended by E. W. Stoughton, James M. Smith, Jr., Joel A. Fitzgerald, John E. Burrill, Ira Shafter and T. C. T. Buckley. Yesterday the proceedings were conducted altogether by Mr. CLINTON for the prosecution, and Mr. SHAFTER for the defendant. The calling of the panel was continued with the result given below:

THE FOURTH JUROR.

EDWARD L. SHEPARD, HERBERT T. LOCKWOOD and RICHARD JORDAN, having formed opinions on the case, were rejected, and LOUIS KREPPER, dry goods importer, was called. He testified: I don't know anything about the charges against the Mayor; I have formed no opinion in relation to this case; the charge against the Mayor, as I understand it, is neglecting to do something in connection with the City accounts; I am a native German and do not understand English thoroughly; unless the words I hear are in daily use, there are many things said in the Court that I do not understand; I have no prejudice either for or against the prisoner, and would render an impartial verdict according to my judgment.

By Mr. CLINTON—Do you understand what is the meaning of the word "audit?" A—Is that to hand one a cent? (A laugh.) I can understand what I read, though I might not be able to explain every word.

Mr. CLINTON challenged the witness for not having a perfect knowledge of the English language.

To the COURT—Audit, I suppose, means to decide what is right and what is not.

Mr. CLINTON withdrew his challenge and accepted the witness. He was then sworn in as the jury.

GEORGE ISAACS, who did not know the specific charges against the Mayor, but understood from the newspapers that he was challenged by both sides and excused from jury service, as was also JOHN H. STRINGHAMER, who said he knew old Mr. INGERSOLL, but does not know his son, although he used to buy chairs from him occasionally. The witness was challenged peremptorily by the prosecution. JOHN D. CONDREY and EDWARD MARTIN had formed opinions and were rejected.

HENRY C. VALENTINE, of No. 30 Chambers-street, testified: I have not read the general charges against the Mayor; I have expressed no opinion as to his guilt or innocence; I have expressed no opinion as to the guilt of the Mayor's guilt, and never hinted it in any one; I always regarded the Mayor as a member of a Ring. The witness was challenged by the defense for favor, and the triers found it true.

GEORGE W. WALLBRONN and JOHN BOYD were neither of them accepted, having expressed opinions as to HALL's guilt.

THE FIFTH JUROR.

JOSEPH W. SIMPSON, lace dealer, Eighth-avenue, testified: I have read the charges against the Mayor; I have conversed on the subject undoubtedly, but I don't remember having expressed any opinion as to his guilt or innocence; if placed on the jury I would be able to return a verdict uninfluenced by prejudice or bias; I have no political bias against the Mayor; I have no prejudice whatever against the Mayor in respect to any order he issued regarding public processions in this City.

The witness was accepted and sworn on the jury.

MOVITZ EITHERLINE had formed very decided opinions in the case, and was excused, and SIGMUND B. BLEASELY was told to stand aside for the same reason.

THE SIXTH JUROR.

HENRY A. VAN NESS testified: I have an opinion as to the general conduct of the Ring officials, but I don't think I connected the Mayor with them particularly; I have heard of the Committee of Seventy, but have no affiliations with them; I was applied to for money in its interest and I do not think I gave it; I gave no more for my money; I am not a politician, and took no part in favor of the Reform movement; I took no part against the Reform movement; I am not acquainted with any one connected with the trial; if I was placed on the jury I would render an impartial verdict; I have been in the furniture business, and have purchased a little from INGERSOLL & CO.; I have an acquaintance with any member of the firm, and our business relations were merely accidental.

The witness was accepted on both sides, and sworn on the jury.

Mr. FREDERICK A. BURNHAM had formed an opinion on the merits of the case, which it would require evidence to remove, and was rejected, as were also, for the same cause, ALEXANDER HENDERSON, DAVID V. TAGGART, RICHARD GUILBERT and CHARLES LEWIS.

FRANCIS A. FATH testified: I have no prejudice against the Mayor, which would influence my judgment if I were on the jury; I was a member of the Young Men's Reform Association last Fall. The witness was challenged for favor and rejected.

Mr. SULLIVAN, Assistant District-Attorney, reminded the Court that the extended Monday term of the Court of General Sessions would expire Monday, 26th of February, and he asked for a further extension.

Mayor HALL said: All that I have to say is that whatever the District-Attorney and the Court consent to will be perfectly agreeable to the defendant. A witness, who I may be summoned subsequently, there be the slightest prejudice of any irregularity in the proceedings here.

Judge DALY—I will extend the term to the close of the trial of this case.

The Court then adjourned.

Punch's Bill Against Brother Jonathan for Enormous Damages.

From Punch.

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For similar abuse, in nobody's interest, in particular, since the above date	[illegible]
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For permitting the Irish American Brotherhood to blow Her Majesty's dockyard to atoms	[illegible]
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For piracy on modern English authors, and for not calling a great second-rate English writer, and making Charles Reade what the Man that Laughs and Kenilworth	[illegible]
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The New-York Times.

NEW-YORK, WEDNESDAY, FEB. 29, 1872.

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GRAND OPERA-HOUSE.—IL TROVATORE, (Grand Opera.)—Miss Pappa and Mr. Joseph Maiden.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.—THE VETERAN.—Mr. Lester Wallack, Miss Ella Gannon.

ST. JAMES THEATRE.—MARMIAGE.—Mr. Blakeley and Miss Griswold.

BOOTH'S THEATRE.—QUEEN OF HEARTS.—Mr. Edwin Booth.

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OLYMPIC THEATRE.—HUMPTY DUMPTY.—Mr. G. L. Fox and Kirsky Troupe.

UNION-SQUARE THEATRE.—VARIETY PERFORMANCE.

WOOD'S MUSEUM.—DRAMATIC PERFORMANCES AND CURIOSITIES.—Afternoon and Evening.

NEW-YORK CIRCUS.—EQUESTRIAN, GYMNASTIC AND ATHLETIC FEATS.

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The NEW-YORK TIMES has opened a branch office in Brooklyn at No. 44 Court-st opposite the City Hall, where advertisements will be received until 8 P. M.

The United States District-Attorney has commenced suit against NAYLOR & Co., for two hundred thousand dollars, being the amount of certain invoices alleged to have been undervalued by them in their entries at the Custom-house. This suit is based upon the evidence procured from their books by FRANK E. HOWE, Special Agent of the Treasury. The District-Attorney afforded NAYLOR & Co. every opportunity to vindicate themselves—even giving them time to send to Europe to procure extracts from the books of their London firm, which they claimed would explain everything. After four months' delay, they have submitted their explanations to the District-Attorney, which fail to satisfy him. Hence the suit. It will probably result in the complete vindication of Col. HOWE's action in seizing the books and papers of NAYLOR & Co., and cause their voluntary testimony and affidavits before the Senate Investigating Committee to wear to "rather an ugly look."

Every honest citizen of New-York will approve of the bill introduced by Mr. ALTHOUSE yesterday into the Assembly. It authorizes the City Controller to pay all legal and other expenses incurred in the actions brought by the State Attorney-General against the members of the Tammany Ring. Had there been trustworthy prosecuting officers of the people in this City, and trustworthy local Judges to try the cases prepared by them, there would have been no need to invoke the aid of the public prosecutor of the State, or of a Supreme Court Judge in Albany. The citizens of New-York will cheerfully pay the expenses of bringing the plunderers of the Treasury to justice, though it would be decidedly more encouraging were the movements of the law to be somewhat accelerated.

Gov. HOFFMAN has nominated Dr. S. OAKLEY VANDERPOEL, of Albany, as Health Officer of the Port, in lieu of Dr. CARNOCHAN. The nomination will, doubtless, be confirmed by the Senate. Dr. VANDERPOEL is a Republican, has a high standing in his profession, and his personal character is understood to be unblemished. The merchants of the Port, and the community at large, will be prepared to infer that a man who Horace Greeley, who is reported only to his admirers, has on all conceivable subjects chaotic, with the wind. Mr. GREELEY's writings will always be interesting, but to intrust him with the management of the public affairs of the Union is a thing that will not. A man may be an excellent editor, and yet know no more of practical politics than a child. Mr. GREELEY must be content with being a mere editor, and find the satisfaction of growing his own raw material on his own farm—and we never heard that he made much out of it.

The Progress of the Reform.

The Committee of Seventy's charter has been passed by the Assembly in the same form as it was reported from the Committee of the Whole, and ordered to a third reading. The vote on its final passage stood 69 ayes to 29 noes—27 Republicans and 2 Democrats voted in the favor, and 8 Republicans and 21 Democrats against it.

There were unquestionably a good many members who refused to vote against the charter for reasons similar to those given by Mr. ALVORD. He was convinced that the charter would be found to be, in practice, a perfect failure, but he recognized the right of the Committee of Seventy to ask for such a measure. He would, therefore, vote for the bill, throwing all the responsibility upon those who have asked for it. The existence of such a state of feeling among many members of the present Legislature ought to urge the Committee of Seventy and the great community whom they represent, to strain every effort to provide against the least stain of failure being attached to the great and novel experiment in local self-government which will shortly be made in the City. The men whose patient thought and labor have devised the machinery of election and representation must be prepared to lend all their energies to the task of seeing that it has a fair trial. Experience should only tend to develope new advantages in the scheme. The most critical period for the new charter will be the first attempt to embody its imperfectly-understood provisions in practice. The people must prepare beforehand for an effort in favor of reform better organized than that of November, in proportion as the opposition to be overcome is now stronger and more disciplined. In April there must be a popular uprising as enthusiastic and as unanimous as the last, but its force must be directed with greater skill, because the plan of campaign is much more complex, and there is as much to be lost by a revival of organization, as there is by lack of zeal. In whatever spirit the Senate and the Governor may accept the responsibilities arising from the almost unanimous demand of this City for such a measure of Reform, it seems highly probable that they will not venture to interfere with the passage of the charter in its essential entirety. Let our citizens be preparing, then, for the charter becoming law, for the time of final preparation will be all too brief for the amount of work requiring to be done.

Compulsory Education.

A correspondent, in a recent issue, has presented some very strong considerations in favor of a law for enforced education. There is no doubt that the time has arrived for the introduction of such laws throughout the country. During the first years of the national existence, and especially in New-England and the States peopled from that region, there was so strong an impression among the common people, of the immense importance of a system of free instruction for all, that no laws or regulations were necessary to enforce it. Our ancestors were only too eager to secure mental training for themselves, and opportunities of education for their children. The public property in lands was, in many States, early set aside for purposes of school and college education, and the poorest farmers and laboring people often succeeded in obtaining for their families and descendants the best intellectual training which the country could then bestow.

But all this has greatly changed, in New-England and other portions of the country. Owing to foreign immigration and to unequal distribution of wealth, large numbers of people have grown up without the rudiments even of common-school education. Thus, according to the report of 1871 of the National Commissioners of Education, there are in the New-England States 105,063 persons over ten years of age who cannot write, and, therefore, are classed as "illiterates." In New-York State the number reaches the astounding height of 241,152, of whom 19,699 are of the colored race. In Pennsylvania the number is 232,356; in Ohio, 173,172, and throughout the Union the population of the illiterates sums up the fearful amount of 5,660,074. In New-York State the number of illiterate minors between ten and twenty-one years amounts to 42,405. In this City there are 69,236 persons over ten who cannot write, of whom 55,791 are of foreign birth. Of minors between ten and twenty-one, there are here 8,017 illiterates.

Now it must be manifest to the dullest mind, that a Republic like ours, resting on universal suffrage, is in the utmost danger from such a mass of ignorance at its foundation. That nearly six persons (5.7) in every one hundred in the Northern States should be unlettered, and thirty out of the hundred in the Southern, is certainly an alarming fact. From this dense ignorant multitude of human beings proceed most of the crimes of the community; them are the tools of unprincipled politicians; these form "the dangerous classes" of the City. So grandly has this danger been felt, especially from the ignorant masses of the Southern States, both black and white, that Congress has organized a National Bureau of Education, and, for the first time in our history, is taking upon itself, to a limited degree, the care of education in the States. The law making appropriations of public lands for purposes of education, in proportion to the illiteracy of each State, will undoubtedly at some period be repeated, and then encouragement will be given by the Federal Government to universal popular education. As one of the Vindicated of the Republic cannot write, should parsimony in engaging against interference of the general Government in so vital a matter.

During the past few years all intelligent Americans have been struck by the Moslem discipline and intelligence, well-directed energy shown by the Prussian nation—plainly the results of the universal and enforced education of the people. The leading Power of Europe evidently bases its strength on the law of Compulsory Education. Very earnest attention has been given in this country to the subject. Several States are approaching the adoption of such a law. California is reported to have it, as well as Illinois. Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut have begun compulsory education by their legislation on factory children, compelling parents to educate their children a certain number of hours each day. Even Great Britain is drawing near to by her late School acts, and must eventually pass such laws. In our own State, where, of all the free States, the greatest illiteracy exists, there has been much backwardness in this matter. But under the new movement for reform, our citizens must see where the root of all their troubles lies. The Tweeds and Halls and Sweeneys of this City would have never won their amazing power but for those sixty thousand persons in this City who never read or write. It is this class and their associates who made these politicians what they were.

We need, in the interests of public order, of liberty, of property, for the sake of our own safety and the endurance of free institutions here, a strict and careful law which shall compel every minor to learn to read and write, under severe penalties, in case of disobedience. An approach is already made toward this by a law enforcing education among factory children, now before the Senate Judiciary Committee—an act prepared with great care by the counsel of the Children's Aid Society, Mr. C. E. WHITEHEAD. We trust that this will be passed, and that it will be but a stepping-stone toward a more comprehensive act for compulsory education. With such a law should be passed an act requiring school-masters and Boards of Education to open half-time schools, for those children who are compelled to be engaged in manual labor a portion of the day.

Hank Smith.

HANK SMITH's character was discussed at last night's meeting of the Bowling-green Bank depositors with a vigor and freedom which left nothing to be desired. There was an evident reluctance to allow the guilty President to compound with the people he had so foully wronged, even for the sum of $50,000. Pressing necessity prevailed, however, over honest indignation, and the feeling of last night's meeting was declared to be in favor of accepting the lardy conscience-money of a convicted defaulter. Of course, this action awaits the approval of the rest of the depositors. HANK SMITH has evidently had some new light thrown upon his official responsibilities since he protested to the poor people he had robbed that, having lived among them twenty years, he was incapable of doing them wrong and would come out an injured innocent when the affairs of the bank were thoroughly investigated. In a statement found satisfactory by the *Tribune*, he set down the deficiency of the bank funds at $17,000, and assured the depositors that he would see them paid in full. Now, when the deficiency has been proved to be ten times that amount, SMITH is very desirous to escape being put in jail, and abandons altogether the high moral elevation of the twenty years of honest industry in the First Ward. After the manifestations of feeling indulged in last night, it is very probable that HANK SMITH will consider it prudent to keep away from the scenes of his youth for a little while. Yet the man who is spurned and reviled by the depositors he has wronged, still insults the City of New-York by remaining at the head of the Police force. Is there no means of getting this self-confessed criminal out of a position where his presence is an outrageous burlesque of law and decency?

An Epicene Bar.

St. Louis is by no means the city where one would look for a sudden revival of conservative, not to say, effete monarchical practices. It may, therefore, be taken for granted that the proposal of certain St. Louis lawyers to clothe themselves in the black silk gown of the British barrister, does not denote any particular reverence for an ancient custom, and is not due to a desire to imitate a practice which obtains under the notoriously blighting influence of the British monarchy. It is merely a coincidence that the St. Louis lawyer advocates the professional garb of his English brother, and the key to his desire to adopt the legal uniform of Serjeants Buzfuz and Snubbin must be found elsewhere than in a depraved passion of unworthy imitation.

It is not explicitly stated which of the St. Louis lawyers is the author of this proposal. When, however, it is remembered that the St. Louis Bar includes several attorneys and counsellors of the sex which is more frequently the cause of lawsuits than the instruments by which Courts are convinced and juries confounded, the motive and origin of the proposal is at once evident. The woman-lawyer may be placed by the law upon an exact equality with her masculine professional rival. She may be entitled to all his privileges,—so far as statute and precedent have power to confer them on her sex,—and in time public opinion may permit her to use all the pettifogger's chicanery and contempt for decency, and still hold her, in private life, to be as respectable as—say Mr. DAVID DUDLEY FIELD. Nevertheless, while she continues to wear any form of the feminine short, or in prominent in any feature of her dress a distinctly epicene appearance, she is handicapped, so to speak, and is plainly at a disadvantage when pitted in a jury trial against a masculine lawyer. The latter has a freedom of gesture which portrayals cannot give. He can lean his arm stylishly above his head when horror-stricken at the wicked-ness of his opponent's client, while that accused, if a woman, must move backward with circumspection, hampered by the possibilities connected with the unfolding buttons of a closely-fitted dress. The lawyer in trousers may, at certain moments, powerfully impress the jury by rattling money in his pockets—an unusual trick of which the late Edward EVERETT was accustomed to avail himself when speaking of the avarice of MARLBOROUGH, his pocket being carefully furnished with the old-fashioned tuft-noisy coppers. The female lawyer is forever debarred from this precious privilege, for the impossibility of decorously jerking, in a moment of excitement, the obscure and shifting "placket"—which is the entrance to the feminine pocket—is too manifest to need emphasis. Then, too, she can never indulge the popular masculine habit of combining a sarcastic line of argument with the insertion of the thumbs in the armholes of the vest; nor can she thrust—as is the pleasing habit of eminent Tombs counsel—to kick a troublesome opponent immediately after the adjournment of the Court—the limitations of feminine clothing necessarily rendering such a threat the reverse of terrifying. In short, we have only to fancy Mr. JOHN GRAHAM in female dress, and conceive the disastrous effect which it would have upon his method of oratory and argument, to understand precisely the disadvantages under which the female lawyer is born.

Now, your true radical—and the woman-lawyer is a radical of radicals—delights to promote universal equality by dragging others down to his own level. Conscious that the assumption of trousers and coats would be incompatible with grace, the women lawyers of St. Louis have hit upon the idea of compelling their male associates to forego the advantages of masculine dress by decreasing that the entire Bar shall be arrayed in the sex-concealing black silk gown. Should this proposal be adopted, the two sexes will at least be placed on an exact equality. The male lawyer will lose the aid of pockets and vest arm-holes, while the safe folds of the gown will permit his feminine associate to take secret but ample measures to secure all possible freedom of gesture. The St. Louis Bar will then be in appearance at least, thoroughly epicene. This we are instified in believing, to be the object of this unexpected return to an old custom; and it is thus seen to be in reality a new demand on the part of female radicalism, instead of a revival of conservatism—a fresh effort to promote equality by leveling downward, instead of a sporadic desire to revive the traditions of the colonial American Bar in ante-revolutionary days.

The "Gipsy Parliament."

A colossal hoax has lately been carried out in Germany, which shows that neither the passion for practical joking nor for being deluded are yet extinct even in that sober country. Indeed, people outside of Germany have been taken in, several of the London journals having had serious articles on the subject, while at least one newspaper acknowledges to have sent a special correspondent to the supposed theatre of action, and this writer affirms that he was first undeceived by the correspondent of a New-York newspaper, who arrived there first. On the same authority, the responsibility of originating the story is placed at the door of Herr SCHWARTZ, an editor of Stuttgard.

It appears that last October, at the annual Wurtemburg Volks-fest, it was first whispered that there was to be, early in the ensuing year, a Congress of Gipsy tribes. After a while this took definite shape, and it was given out that a regular "Gipsy Parliament" would be held about the 1st of February, at the town of Canstadt. Multitudes accordingly repaired to the spot. They came from Baden, from Switzerland, Bohemia, from all points of the compass. A large number of the arrivals were veritable Gipsies, who, while they will believe nothing they hear by word of mouth, swallow with religious faith whatever they see in print. One of these Bommany adventurers played a kind of hoax within a hoax on the English correspondent above named, and with whom he fell in on the road. The credulous letter-writer was persuaded by his companion that he was the son of a Gipsy Emperor, a kind of Crown Prince, who, as such, could extend various desirable privileges. As a preliminary to this act of friendly condescension the Prince borrowed what loose cash the other had about him, and then, after having got drunk, also at the correspondent's expense, opportunely disappeared. Another misled child of Egypt, of less immediately practical turn, hunted up the alleged author of the strange jest at Stuttgard, and, announcing his inability to see the humor of the thing, pulled off his coat, and challenged Herr SCHWARTZ to mortal combat then and there at fisticuffs.

An account published of the meeting between the two correspondents is extremely droll. The London man knew the nationality of his transatlantic brother by his bearing, his "astute face and piercing gray eyes." The American knew the other by a *Bradshaw* he saw sticking out of his pocket. Acquaintance being struck up, the last comer pressed the first to tell him where and when the Parliament was to meet. "I will," replied his companion. "Do you know No Man's Land? Well, that's where it's to meet! Do you know the Greek Kalendas? That's when." The speaker went on to say, with divers expletives, that the whole thing was a "sell," and that there was no Gipsy Parliament at all. He, however, declared himself—this is on the authority of his London companion—to be highly charmed with the ingenuity and completeness of the "sell," said that he had no idea they were "so almighty smart in Deutschland," swore that if SCHWARTZ were over on 'e can side, he'd make his pilum on them," and that the "woolly horse was nothing to him." "Evidently," writes his companion, "his enthusiasm on being victimized by a Deutschlander was found down by a profound admiration for the inventive talent of a brother gypsy-man." All this is amusing enough, and, at all events, it is not hard to make allowances for the zest with which writers of a certain type amplify descriptions of the real by touches of his conventional ideal. But what follows we must hesitate to accept either literally or by-written. The writer affirms that his New-York colleague proposed to carry out the joke to the "bitter end." He suggested that as they had come there to see a Gipsy Parliament, they had better write a description of one, taking care not to clash; and wound up by coolly proposing that the two should write an elaborate volume on the origin, mode of conduct, and peculiarities of the "Congress of Bohemians" with critisms of their principal orators, and sketches of the "inner life" of the House; winding up with "an Addendum, ethnological and philosophical, tracing the true descent of the Kingpin, and the affinities of their language with the ancient Egyptian."

This remarkable offer, we are assured, was softly declined, although it was recommended by a "handsome bribe;" so that Mr. BORROW's work is not to be followed by another just yet of such trustworthy antecedents. It is pretty clear that, fired by the ennobling example of Herr SCHWARTZ, the New-York correspondent lost no chance to carry out his humorous device so far as he could; and the temptation to do so, it is equally clear, was exceptionally strong. When fish are eager to bite they do not commonly lack for anglers, and the delicious frankness with which this same London correspondent has owned himself on several previous occasions to have been humbugged mark him out as most inviting prey. We are nevertheless indebted to him for reminding us that BORROW maintains that "hocus-pocus," whence "hoax" is derived, came into English through Gipsies; and that those singular people have had from time immemorial marvellous dexterity in practices such as those terms describe. On the principle of give and take, then, we conceive that folk of the Bommany blood need not complain of the Schwartz deception, for it only goes to balance a long list of cheats and mystifications extending back for centuries, and practiced, at the expense of the rest of mankind, all over Europe.

MINOR TOPICS.

By a printer's error yesterday, the name of Senator FRELINGHUYSEN was printed for Senator PUBLINGURES, in a paragraph on this page.

We have received for the Children's Aid Society $1 from "Josie," and $5 for the poor family in Cannon-street from G. R. D.

French patriotism is apt to be sensitive when it is not sensational. Opinions will differ as to which of these impulses prompted a late rebuff to the German Empress, over which the French newspapers are in great glee. Among the persons shut up in Strasbourg during the late siege was one Mme. KIEFER, who rendered important service in caring for the wounded of both sides, without distinction of country. In acknowledgment of her care for the German wounded, the Empress AUGUSTA wished to invest her with the Iron Cross. Mme. KIEFER, however, declined the proffered honor, and returned the insignia to the Chancellor with a dignified letter. She could not, she said, accept a decoration from a sovereign who had caused the ruin of her country and her native city. If, in caring for her countrymen, she had relieved Germans, it was because in the presence of suffering she knew no difference of nationality. But for this she was simply rewarded by the approbation of a French compatriot, which has never understood cruelty to the vanquished, to the sick, or to women and children. One may imagine how the good Prince BISMARCK-SCHONHAUSEN must have grinned over this haughty reply.

Berlin, which is not much addicted to social sensation, has lately been enjoying one. Two young ladies, sisters, disappeared, but shortly afterward tempered the blow of their flight by letting them know that they still inhabited this wicked world, and were in London. Having fallen desperately in love with the same young man, who is described as an Adonis, they felt that they could only find happiness and respectability in becoming his wives. They had, therefore, taken passage for this country, en route for Salt Lake City, where, perhaps, they will arrive a day too late for the fair, news of Mormonism being at a disadvantage having probably not reached them when they left. However, as it is intimated that these interesting young persons took care before starting to help themselves as far as they could to the drover which they thought becoming, they will no doubt manage to get along.

In the coal regions of Pennsylvania the opinions of the people appear to be pretty evenly divided on the subject of cleanliness. A worthy young man named WHITAKER has just had an opportunity to judge of this in a way that he is not likely to forget very readily. Some time since he accepted the charge of a school at a place called Fowler's Patch. The children, for the most part, presented themselves before him every morning with unwashed faces, and being of a very sensitive nature, this soon caused him to weary of his labors. He longed for a more somnal atmosphere, but before leaving, determined to work a complete reform in the habits of the miners. Having this praiseworthy object in view, he issued an order impressing upon the matrons the necessity of washing their children, at least once a day. One-half the mothers in the neighborhood took the hint quite cheerfully, while the other half denounced Mr. WHITAKER in a very indignified manner. Then followed a complaint to the Superintendent of the district, and the temporary resignation of Mr. WHITAKER. An investigation was subsequently demanded by the newly-washed, and the prospect looked rather encouraging for the reformer, when the unwashed brought matters to a crisis by proceeding in a body to the school house and burning it to the ground.

The Dutch have quieted down in regard to the rumor by their Government of mutiny on the Guinea coast to England. The Ambassador of a Guinea potentate, the King of Minira, has left the Hague, and the new English Governor of the territory has been there to hear all about it from the Dutch authorities. Another item of intelligence from Holland is that the Hague Gazette, a small but enthusiastic organ of the Orangemen, has deeply disgusted at the determination of the Government to dis-

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The Tribune, whose tone is usually moderate, says:

"The state of mind of the people in certain districts of Paris is such as to excite the lively apprehension. Those who were arrested during the Commune, now return from prison displaying the most determined opposition to law and order. Decent workmen, who have returned true to their employers, are the perpetrators of those who do nothing, and a man who assumes participation in Government plans in the cabals of the most odious persecution with open threats of assassination. Only two days ago a workshop was broken into and the tools, employed there broken and otherwise destroyed."

Pleasant surprise.

A BOARD OF COMMERCE.

Proposed Congressional Action in Relation to Commerce.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29.—The House Committee on Commerce today agreed to Representative SHELDON's bill with amendments. This bill was founded on the bill heretofore recommended to the Committee by the Secretary of the Treasury, and approved by the Secretary of the Navy. In the amended form the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of War, the Postmaster-General and the Secretary of the Interior are to constitute a Board of Commerce. They are authorized to contract for a line from New-York to England and the Continent of Europe; another from some other point of the Atlantic coast to Europe; a line from New-York to Mexico; a line from San Francisco to Australia and the East India islands, and one from New-Orleans to Mexican ports; and to pay for, to an extent not exceeding 200,000 tons, 150,000 the first year, 25,000 to be distributed to the Atlantic and Gulf coasts; 25,000 to the Pacific, and 25,000 to the Mississippi and Ohio rivers and the great lakes for iron ships of American construction; $6 per ton for wood or alpha over 400 tons burden; and $4 per ton for wooden ships over 400 tons burden. The bill authorizes the Commissioners to allow the same tonnage bounty to lines already established, which include the lines from New-York to Brazil, and from San Francisco to China. The bill also includes a line from New-Orleans to Brazil, as introduced by Representative SHELDON, a member of the Committee. The Committee concurred in Representative LYNCH's offer an amendment in the House providing that imported materials used for the construction of ships shall be free from duty, or where American material is used an equivalent to the amount of duty shall be allowed. The Committee will be called next week, when the bill will be reported. In five years the cost to the Government would be $15,000,000, provided iron ships shall be constructed to the extent of 500,000 tons. The allowance to wooden vessels would be additional.

A DOUBLE TRAGEDY.

One Man Murdered in Morris County, N. J., and Another Nearly Killed—Escape of the Perpetrators.

Intelligence was received by Prosecuting-Attorney MILLS, of Morris County, yesterday of a frightful tragedy in Rockaway, a small village in Morris County. From the statements made to Mr. MILLS it appears that on Sunday last three men, JOHN FOLEY and two brothers named WILKINS, after being up at a ball all night, became engaged in a fight which resulted in the death of FOLEY and the fatal injury of one of the brothers. The men were drunk, and quarreled about some insulting words which FOLEY said had been addressed to his sister by the WILKINS brothers. The brothers attacked FOLEY when he took out his pocket-knife and stabbed one of them three times. He was then clubbed by the other WILKINS and almost instantly expired, having received the cut in his breast. The murder could not be concealed, and he was captured. The man who was first stabbed by FOLEY was reported to be alive yesterday but was not expected to survive. There is great excitement in the town and a search is being made for WILKINS. All three persons engaged in the fight were young men and bore no high character.

Upon the receive information received Prosecuting-Attorney MILLS telegraphed Wm. T. LEFFERT, Esq., of Dover, directing him to take charge of the case, have an inquest held, and prosecute the search for the escaped criminal.

Meeting of Gas Consumers—Protest Against the Present System.

A meeting of the gas consumers of the Twentieth Ward was held last evening at Munsinger's Hall, Thirty-second-street. Mr. G. W. DA CUNHA presided. Mr. DAMOREST, the Secretary, presented the petition which had been drawn up by him for presentation to the Legislature, and, on motion, it was formally adopted as the expression of the views of the meeting. It declares that the extortionate burdens imposed on the citizens of New-York by the monopoly which the existing gas companies enjoy, and prays that the business of making and supplying gas to the City be placed in the hands of the Municipal authorities, and carried on in the same manner as the water supply of the City is now conducted.

Mr. L. THOMPSON said it was high time something of this sort was inaugurated. There were many abuses which the gas companies were guilty of, but, he thought, the most oppressive of them was the requiring deposit money on the meters. There were 80,000 meters in the buildings in the City, of which probably 75,000 have meters, and on these meters the deposits ranged from $10 to $600. It was a fair estimate that the sum of money in the hands of the companies from this source aggregated two and a quarter millions, which they actually carried on their business with borrowed money. According to the figures of the companies themselves, it was shown that to manufacture 10,000 cubic feet of gas cost just $15; this gas was sold at the rate of $3 50 per 1,000 feet. This makes a clear profit of 130 per cent. For the privilege the City paid the gas companies annually $1,800,000; the citizens' gas bill probably amounted to $3,100,000, calculated at about $50 per house. This would make an aggregate of $5,000,000 paid to the gas companies by the people of New-York, and on this amount the companies made a clear profit of 130 per cent. The capital to enable this monopoly to be carried on was actually furnished by the citizens themselves.

The Chairman agreed with the last speaker on the oppressive character of the deposit-money system. They might not be able, for the present, to get all their ends, but they might at least get a bill passed forbidding the companies to exact those deposits. He thought they should strike for that first, and get what they could afterward.

Mr. ZIEGLER said he had been informed on the best authority that good gas could be manufactured with profit for fifty cents per thousand cubic feet, and they were now paying $3 50 for an inferior article. He had 12,000 signatures to their petition already, and was confident the number would soon be increased to 100,000.

After some further discussion, the Chairman said it was their intention, when they grew strong enough, to call a public meeting at Cooper Institute. He could not say when they would be ready to do this, but thought it would be soon. They had started with six members, and their numbers were now quite respectable. Meanwhile, members should endeavor to bring the objects of the Association prominently before the public. Their next meeting would be held at some well-known hall, and he expected they would have a large attendance.

The meeting then adjourned, subject to the call of the Chair, it being agreed meantime to advertise the objects as far as possible.

Outrages in Newark.

The outrage upon Mr. GEORGE H. BANNISTER, the Broad-street merchant, on Monday evening, has produced an unusual excitement among Newark business men. The circumstances are as follows: Mr. BANNISTER was preparing to close his store at No. 604 Broad-street, at about 9 o'clock, on Monday evening and was in the act of placing coal upon the fire, when he was suddenly attacked by a man unknown to him. The stranger struck him in the face, knocking him down, and afterward stamped and struck him with a club. Two other men, named Charles Best was beating him, and they at once commenced to sack the premises. They finally got away with about $2,000 worth of jewelry. Mr. BANNISTER was suffering great pain from his injuries yesterday. No clue has thus far been discovered that is likely to lead to the identification of the robbers.

Late on Monday evening, WM. GARRITY, an old man, employed by Messrs. BRADLEY & CO., was garroted and robbed by three men, near the Fourth Ward schoolhouse. He received serious injuries in the head, and his pocket-book was stolen. WILLIAMS was garroted and robbed, probably by the same gang, in Broad-street, at about 9 o'clock yesterday morning.

The Philadelphia Election Frauds—Progress of the Investigation.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 27.—The Legislative Committee on Contested Seats in the Senate, in continuing the investigation of the fraudulent votes polled for GRAY in the recent Senatorial election. Much evidence was elicited showing frauds. The Committee adjourned to meet in secret session, but EVANS has failed to make his appearance, being occupied on important business in New-York. He has been notified that unless he presented himself before the Committee, an application would be made for a requisition on the Governor of New-York to compel his attendance. The Committee will report to the Senate on the facts in the Senatorial contest, and recommend a resolution to secure his arrest. Meantime the Committee are hearing evidence in relation to the war claims collected by EVANS.

THE BRITISH THANKSGIVING.

An Immense Outpouring of the Loyal People.

Four Million Spectators in the Streets of London.

The Queen Received with Unbounded Enthusiasm.

Sermon by the Archbishop of Canterbury at St. Paul's.

Brilliant Decorations and Illuminations Everywhere.

LONDON, Feb. 27—Evening.—The Day of Thanksgiving for the recovery of the Prince of WALES opened with salutes and the ringing of bells at Sunrise. From an early hour the streets through which the procession was to pass were cleared of vehicles and pedestrians. The line of march to and from the Cathedral is seven miles. The carriage-way along the entire route was fenced in and uninterrupted from curb to curb. The houses on both sides were decorated from cellar to attic, not house by house, but block by block, and all open spaces were filled with banks of seats. The avenue of flags, streamers and gorgeous tapestry wound for miles through the heart of the city, passing under superb and costly triumphal arches. Every available place was occupied by the spectators, who were only to be numbered by millions. Fabulous prices were given for single seats, and houses let for the day at their rent for a year. Twelve thousand soldiers and almost the entire Police force guarded the lines.

THE PROCESSION.

The royal procession commenced to move from Buckingham Palace at 11½ A. M., in the following order:

1. The military.
2. Carriages containing the Speaker of the House of Commons and the Lord Chancellor.
3. His Royal Highness, the Duke of CAMBRIDGE, Commander-in-Chief.
4. Military.
5. Nine open carriages belonging to the Royal household, and containing:
6. The Lord Steward and Lord Chamberlain.
7. Lords and ladies-in-waiting.
8. Royal equeries and grooms.
9. His Royal Highness, the Duke of EDINBURGH.
10. His Royal Highness, Prince ARTHUR.
11. Her Royal Highness, the Princess BEATRICE.
12. Their Royal Highnesses, the Prince and Princess of WALES.
13. Her Majesty, Queen VICTORIA.
14. The military.

The troops in the procession consisted of detachments of the Life Guards, Royal Horse Guards, Royal Artillery, Lancers, Hussars, Grenadier Guards, Scots Fusilier Guards, the Coldstream Guards and the Royal Marines. As the Queen left the court-yard of the Palace, a chorus of 20,000 children sang the national anthem, "God Save the Queen." At Temple Bar the Lord Mayor, the Sheriffs, and six Aldermen and eight Councilmen, all on horseback, met the royal coach and performed the ceremony of delivering to Her Majesty the keys of the city.

SERVICES AT THE CATHEDRAL.

The services at St. Paul's consisted of the singing, by a grand chorus, of a Te Deum, written for the occasion from Psalm CIV., the reading of prayers, and a sermon by the Archbishop of Canterbury. He referred to the universal prayer in December for deliverance from a great calamity, and to the universal tone of thanksgiving for the recovery of the royal sufferer. His Grace, continuing, said: The anxiety of the mother and wife of His Royal Highness were shared by all, and their great trial had required in increased reverence for the Queen and Princess. It has been said that loyalty was dying out, but the exhibition of today disproves that assertion. We are now one in loyalty; may we also be in faith Christians to God. We know He watches over us. Let us all unite in this belief, and in reliance upon Christ as our mediator.

THE AUDIENCE.

The appearance of the interior of the Cathedral was greatly changed by the temporary arrangements for the occasion. A thousand workmen had been employed for weeks past in erecting seats and galleries, and today their labors enabled 14,000 persons to be seated within the body of the church. Hardly less labor will be required to restore the Cathedral to its usual order, so extensive and durable have been the preparations for today. Subscriptions have already been taken for a "restoration fund," the Queen leading the list with $1,000 and the Prince of WALES giving $500. The Queen and royal family occupied a raised state pew at the centre of the month of the nave, having the peers and the peeresses on the right hand and the members of the House of Commons with their wives on the left, the Lord Chancellor and the Speaker of the House occupying gilt arm chairs in front of their respective bodies. In the first tier of the south gallery were seated representatives from India and the colonies. In front of them were the learned bodies, clerical and secular, nonconformist divines and the legal fraternity. Distinguished foreigners occupied the grand floor of the octagon gallories, with the Queen's household above. The first tier of the north gallery was assigned to the corporation of London, the smaller galleries flanking it to the Lords-Lieutenants and Sheriffs, the diplomatic corps and the Metropolitan Board of Works, and the tiers overhead to the School Board. The remainder of the space was thrown open to the general public. Fifty seats in the Cathedral were set apart for working men free of expense at the special request of the Queen. The choir was composed of picked singers from the various royal chapels.

RETURN TO THE PALACE.

At the conclusion of the religious services the procession formed again and moved westward through Newgate-street by the Old Bailey to and across the Holborn Viaduct, near the western end of which (at the boundary of the "City,") the Lord Mayor's party bade adieu to the royal household and returned to Guildhall. On Snow Hill a platform was erected which accommodated over a thousand people. In front of the platform was a choir of 300 children, who sang the national anthem as the royal family approached. But their singing was drowned by the outburst of cheering as the royal coach, now containing the Queen, the Prince of WALES and the Princess ALEXANDRA, came in front of the stand. The reception here given them was especially enthusiastic, the loyalty of the people seeming to partake of a personal and even affectionate character. The Queen was observed to be moved to tears. The Prince appeared to have borne the excitement and fatigue of the day well. The Thanksgiving procession resumed its way past High Holborn and through Oxford-road to the more fashionable "West End." The whole route to and from the Cathedral was seven miles in length, and the procession was four hours in motion. The least estimates place the number of spectators who witnessed its passage at 4,000,000. There were 11,000 troops, besides the London Police force; support so heavy the streets clear, there might be no interruption of circulation. The troops were commanded by the Earl of LUCAN, of the First Life Guards; Major-Gen. Sir Thomas M. MCMAHON, Major-Gen. the Prince EDWARD of Saxe-Weimar, and Major-Gen. PEIRSON, of the Household Brigade. Along the entire route strong stages of timber were erected and behind these were double files of infantry and Police to keep the eager crowd from overthrowing the barriers and interfering the progress of the procession. At numerous points in the city there were triumphal arches of elegant design, the "Gate of Temple Bar" being the most elegant. Old Bell Tavern, Holborn, was converted into a Gothic pavilion, the royal party came opposite to them. The enthusiastic demonstrations of loyalty did not cease until the carriages of the royal family passed through the gates of the Palace. The weather was brilliantly fine throughout the day. On the return from the Cathedral the Prince of WALES occupied the carriage with the Queen.

THE SPECTATORS.

Sight-seers innumerable have flocked into London. All the city and out-of-town railways ran extra trains to accommodate the crowds. Among the strangers who are here might be seen officials from all quarters of the kingdom—the Lord Mayor of Dublin, the Provost of Edinburgh and many others, more or less distinguished. Visitors from the neighboring States of Europe are hardly less numerous, and for nearly a week past the streets along the route of the procession—Pall Mall, Trafalgar-square, Duncannon-street, the Strand, Fleet-street, Ludgate Hill, St. Paul's Churchyard, the Old Bailey, Holborn, Oxford-road and Hyde Park were rendered almost impassable by the crowds which thronged to view the preparations for the grand thanksgiving. On Sunday last, particularly from daylight until dark, there was a steady stream of sight-seers passing along these thoroughfares, although the day was attended with heavy showers. Every precaution was taken for the safety and comfort of individuals, as well as for the success of the pageant. All windows or other places where accidents were possible had been boarded up. The proper officers had inspected every balcony, awning and platform, and those which they found unsafe they required to be strengthened. Every shop and house along the route brought a fabulous rental. Ordinary four-story buildings were let for $150 for the day. One vacant space brought $400. The Ex-Emperor NAPOLEON and party had a house in Oxford-road, though they had been invited to share the facilities of the Army and Navy Club, of which the Ex-Emperor is a member. It is reported, too, that NAPOLEON declined an invitation from the Queen to be present at Buckingham Palace and witness the departure of the royal cortege. He was accompanied by his son. The Empress EUGENIE was unable to be present. Several persons offered their house to the inmates of charitable institutions, such as the Foundling Hospital; others surrendered theirs to the families of their customers, and still others to their employes. Among the latter was Miss BURDETT COUTTS. Ludgate Hill presented the appearance of having undergone some wonderful transformation. Its dingy old houses had been washed and furbished up—many of them repainted—and every unsightly space or angle was today occupied by scarlet seats, canopied with canvas roofing. On the hill a balloon is anchored. It is crowned with an enormous Prince of Wales feather, and to it is suspended an illuminated car. Everywhere club-houses, railway stations, and all public buildings for the time became grand stands, thronged with people and profusely decorated. Many private boxes hung with damask and lace were erected on the sidewalks along the route, particularly in St. Paul's Church-yard.

TRANSFORMING THE CITY.

The decorations are said to have surpassed anything ever before known. Miles of the distance were given out on contract to be ornamented at the expense of the metropolis. Much also was done by subscriptions and by private enterprise. The lamp-posts were painted blue and gold. Venetian masts were planted at intervals of fifty feet, and joined by wires whereon flags were hung during the day and colored lanterns in the evening. The blackened time-worn stones of Temple Bar were completely hidden from view with flags and gilded ornaments. At the crossing of Farringdon-street was a splendid triumphal arch, erected at an expense of $4,000. Another, hardly less splendid, spanned Oxford-road. Flags, festoons, tapestry, wreaths, of every conceivable character, were displayed from housetops and windows, and across streets. A perfect wilderness of scarlet, gold and blue cloth, gold fringe, and other gorgeous decorations waved from the balconies and portices, where gaily-dressed men, women and children pressed to view the procession and clapped their hands, and cheered and swung their handkerchiefs, and scarfs and hats in the air as the royal carriages moved past them. The Americans in the city were active in contributing to the success of the day. Next to the British, the American flags were most numerous. Both were often intertwined with mottoes, such as "Friendly Union the best Settlement of the *Alabama* Question," &c. The offices of the London representatives of the American newspapers and the West End office of the Associated Press were finely decorated. The royal arms on the Appointment Stores were burnished and gilded anew, and many of them were set off with loyal mottoes: "God Bless the Prince of WALES," "God Save the Queen," "Thanks to God."

LOYALTY EVERYWHERE.

All traffic was suspended throughout London, and Westminster vehicles were ordered off the route of the procession after 6 o'clock this morning, and pedestrians after 9 o'clock. Salutes of artillery thundered salutes from several points along the line as the procession moved, and the bells of all the churches in the Metropolis added their peals to the joyful din. Rosettes, favors and portraits of the members of the royal family were sold by thousands. Several medals have been struck in honor of the day and the event. The poets have been seized with the general fever, and many patriotic and thanksgiving hymns are published in the journals and periodicals throughout the island. At Windsor three oxen, barbecued, and hogsheads of beer feasted the poor of the neighborhood and the tenantry. To several parishes money received for seats along the route was donated by individuals and corporations, to furnish forth thanksgiving dinners for the inmates of their work houses. Thousands of poor children were regaled in Clerkenwell. To-morrow the Prince of WALES receives an address from the Corporation of London, and the residents of Fleet-street will present a Bible to the Princess ALEXANDRA.

THE ILLUMINATION.

The western front and the entire dome of St. Paul's were illuminated to-night with ship lanterns and lime lights. The Bank of England, the club-houses, all the public buildings and the Appointment Stores were also illuminated, together with thousands of private dwellings and stores, and the streets through which the procession passed were brilliant with colored lanterns. The illumination of to-night will be repeated to-morrow night.

NO DISORDER NOR ACCIDENTS.

It was remarkable that in spite of the great excitement which existed among the enormous masses of spectators, there was little or no disorder. The Police at times found themselves powerless to resist the tremendous pressure of the crowd, and were obliged to call on the soldiers for assistance. The streets in the neighborhood of the line of march were impassable for whole blocks; but the greater part of the city was deserted, and large districts remote from the scene were silent as the tomb.

OBSERVANCES IN OTHER PLACES.

The day was observed as a legal holiday throughout the United Kingdom. Dispatches from the principal cities of England, Scotland and Ireland report thanksgiving services on a scale commensurate with their wealth and population. In many of them processions and religious exercises, similar to those in the Metropolis, took place. In the smaller towns, the villages and hamlets of England, Scotland and Wales, the day was celebrated with appropriate festivities. In Ireland special prayers were offered in all the churches by order of the Bishops of the Irish Church. In Dublin a Te Deum was sung at St. Patrick's Cathedral, and the Castle and portions of the city were illuminated to-night. Thanksgiving services were also held in Exeter, Windsor, Leicester, Edinburgh, Rugby, Oxford, Cambridge and Jersey. A special dispatch from Bombay states that the Governor and officials attended the Cathedral in state. The Parsee Calendar of that date indicate the Jews in their synagogues, the Hindoos in their temples, and the Mohammedans and other religious sects in their places of worship, and offered fervent thanks according to their various rules for the recovery of the English Prince.

At Berlin and elsewhere on the Continent the English assembled in their churches and held thanksgiving services.

Serious Accident During the Day—Two Persons Crushed to Death.

LONDON, Feb. 27—Midnight.—Several serious accidents happened today owing to the presence of the great masses of spectators on the line of the procession. One man was crushed to death in Trafalgar-square, and numbers of people more or less injured. Two stands, each containing 150 persons, fell in under the weight and many were badly bruised.

The Thanksgiving at St. Paul's—A Sermon Preached.

It is eighty-three years since that noble temple, which is at once the greatest monument of Wren's fame, and the source of his bitterest disappointment, was the scene of such a ceremony as that which took place within its walls yesterday. On the 24d of April, 1789, GEORGE III. went in solemn procession to return thanks for the restoration of an intellect destined to soon again become obscured. The ceremony was most imposing. The royal family, the great officers of State, the Lord Chancellor and Speaker of the House of Commons, in their golden robes, were present to give dignity to the occasion. The bells rang, the cannon roared, the people shouted in acclamation. On the King reaching St. Paul's the voices of five thousand children were raised in a pean of thanksgiving. Turning to the Bishop of Lincoln, PITT's old tutor, the King, greatly overcome, said: "I now feel that I have been ill." He soon recovered his self-possession. Opposite to him, as son of a peer, was CHARLES FOX. Pitt sat behind his great antagonist. Near the King were his sobbing daughters, who really loved their father, and were overcome by the occasion. Near them, but no doubt concealed from their father's eye, were the hopeful heir apparent and his brethren, whose unshrouded laughter and irreverent behavior excited the disgust of their neighbors. The Prince of WALES of that day was in bitter antagonism with his father. An attempt to get up a demonstration in his favor, while on route to the Cathedral, had failed, and, as Lord BULKELEY wrote at the time, "He lost his temper in the city, and never recovered it afterward. At St. Paul's, he was in the worst humor, and did everything he could to expose himself in the face of an amazing concourse of persons and of all the foreign Ministers." Soon after, the publisher of the *Times* newspaper was tried and convicted of two libels reflecting on the characters of the Dukes of YORK, GLOUCESTER and CUMBERLAND, the King's sons, stating them to be "mainers" in their professions of joy at the King's recovery.

There is, we think, no fear that loyalty will have misbehaved itself in sacred precincts, yesterday, or that we shall read next year, as may be read in the annals of February, 1789, that "Mr. WALTER was brought from Newgate and sentenced to pay a fine of $100 for libel in the *Times* newspaper on the Prince of WALES." Today the heir to the Throne has probably no warmer supporter than that same Mr. WALTER's son, unless it be the proprietor of the *Daily Telegraph*, emphatically the organ of the people, whose loyalty is even more obtrusively exuberant than that of the leading journal. Marvelous indeed has been the amount of history crowded into the period between the thanksgiving of GEORGE III. to that of his great-grandson. Think of what those years have done for our own country. On the 26th of May, eleven years before that bright—for it was a bright and beautiful day—23d of April, the flannel-wrapped CHATHAM had told to his brother peers, "You talk of your numerous friends to annihilate the Congress, and of your powerful forces to disperse their army; I might as well talk of driving them before me with this crutch." In less than five years after we were independent, and when the ceremony took place at St. Paul's, our country was six years old. While King GEORGE was praying and praising, what was the state of France? The greatest convulsion of modern history was within a month of culminating. On the 5th of the following May poor LOUIS XVI. opened that memorable assembly of the States-General at Versailles with a patriotic speech. From that time till now convulsion in that country has succeeded convulsion, dynasty dynasty, and another revolution to-morrow would surprise no one.

But England has continued in her form of government almost unchanged; and, if any one takes the trouble to read attentively the domestic history of that country at and about the time of King GEORGE's visit to St. Paul's, and to contrast it with her state of today, he can scarcely rise from such a study without the conviction that the signs of popular contentment with the existing order of things in Great Britain, are decidedly greater now than then. Within two years after that date every imaginable sign of overt disaffection appeared. In December, 1792, a royal proclamation issued alleging that "the utmost industry was still employed by evil-disposed persons acting in concert with persons in foreign parts with a view to subvert the laws and constitution; that a spirit of tumult had manifested itself in acts of riot and insurrection; that His Majesty had, therefore, resolved to embody part of the militia." From time to to time throughout the reign of GEORGE III. popular rage exhibited itself. In 1795 came the weavers' mob, then four thousand persons, surrounded his home at Richmond, and, finding him absent, sought and found him on Wimbledon Common. Next day the mob stopped Peers going to the House, sent a stone weighing six pounds into the Duke of GRAFTON's carriage, which cut him in the hand with which he attempted to parry it, and bruised his temple. During that time Bedford House, the venerable home of the RUSSELLS, whence the patriot friend of ALGERNON SIDNEY had been torn to be taken to the scaffold, was garrisoned by soldiers. WALPOLE records his going to call there: "As my chariot had no corners, I was received with hussas. The Horse Guards were drawn up in the court." When the King opened Parliament in 1795, a bullet burst into his carriage. Three days after Lord GRENVILLE introduced a "bill for the safety of His Majesty's person," and on the same day, in the House of Commons, Mr. PITT brought in a measure for the "prevention of seditious meetings." What was the temper of the public mind in the reign of GEORGE IV.? What was it in the time of his brother WILLIAM, who saw the Reform riots of 1832? Never in the history of England has there been a reign of such domestic peace and contentment as the present. The indications of feeling which now create a ferment, would have been unknown and unnoticed sixty years since. What are Bradlaughs, Odgers and Dilkes to Norfolks, Stanhopes and Wilkeses? Instead of bills being brought in to prevent seditious meetings, Policemen are detailed to protect their promoters.

What Was Found in a Trunk.

From the San Francisco Alta.

A few days ago two gentlemen were desirous of each purchasing a trunk, and to effect the same went to an auction-house. The sales were in progress when they arrived. Very soon several second-hand trunks were offered, and our friends had on the same. One of them purchased a fine-looking article of the kind wanted, and then bid off an older and much worn one for his friend. The latter, however, refused to accept the purchase at the round chalk the trunk was not worth the money paid for it—six bits. Having it on his hands, the gentleman received reluctantly to make the best of a bargain, and had it sent to his room. There he proceeded to open it, when he was surprised to find that it contained a lot of articles. Among them he found a bundle of letters apparently showing that the trunk had once belonged to a military officer, who had been stationed at some camp in Arizona. After rummaging about for a while and regretting his foolish purchase, he found in the bottom a small box containing several rich specimens of gold-bearing quartz, one of the number and a beautiful large amethyst. These relics of a life in a mining country he took to a jeweler, who informed him that the gems were unusually fine and worth $75. The amethyst proved to be a rare specimen, and was valued at $200.

ANTOMMARCHI'S PHOTOS.

"THE NAIAD QUEEN" AT NIBLO'S.

The spectacle of "The Black Crook" was replaced at Niblo's Theatre, on Monday, by that of "The Naiad Queen." The representation and its audience differed in no material respect from the performances of the past few weeks and from the spectacles gathered to witness them. Like "The Black Crook," "The Naiad Queen" abounds in superb shows, and like that piece, it was acted in presence of a crowded auditorium. The story of the love of *Undine* for *Sir Rudolf* is, however, used as the thread of the entertainment, instead of the adventures of *Rudolph* and *Amine*. Gyas it are strung the brilliant scenes amazing which so much has already been written first and elsewhere. The best dancer of "The Black Crook" is the first of "The Naiad Queen," and, as of old, the March of the Amazons dazzles the eye, the dogs astonish and amuse, the goat rides with the ease of a practiced equestrian, and the MAZILIONS contribute the feats which may be safely declared inimitable. A few new incidents also call for notice. A good deal of fresh music is introduced, and is capitally interpreted by Miss KATE SANTLEY. Whose sweet voice and personal charms, even in her present thankless role, produce a most agreeable impression; and by Mr. ARTHUR MATTHEWS, whose singing affords constant evidence of culture and taste. And, amidst many dances, a contest between Miles. DE ROSA, WHITEHORNE, and ADRIENNE, in the second act, may be cited as well worth witnessing. Mlle DE ROSA was the heroine of the tourney Monday, and it is likely that she will wear her laurels until the close of the play terminates. Her performance is one in which nerve, grace and precision are combined with an adroitness which the least appreciative spectator cannot mistake as the result of rare gifts and skill. Mlle. SIGHT remains, of course, the première danseuse of the spectacle, and her success in the snake-dance proved that her talent as a mime, as well as a dancer, was as highly esteemed as ever. The representation passed off with much enthusiasm, and was at all points satisfying.

AFFAIRS AT WOOD'S MUSEUM.

In spite of the chilly weather a large audience was gathered at Wood's Museum, Monday evening, to witness the first representation of Mr. G. E. NEWSON's new drama entitled "Out at Sea." The piece comprises a prologue and four acts, and is, of course, of a highly sensational character. It commences with the abduction of the rightful heir to a vast estate and the destruction of the proofs of his identity, and ends with the capture and confession of the culprits, and the installment of the heir in all his rights. The principal characters, *Tim Gaslike* and *Rick*, are played respectively by Mr. CHARLES T. PARSLOE, and his pupil "Little Buffon." Abundant opportunity is given both to display their varied accomplishments as clog-dancers, vocalists and banjo soloists. The piece is well put upon the stage of the Museum, and the tableaus in the third act are exceedingly effective. Messrs. Keene, Rymar, Delaney and Lewis, with Misses Rymar, Penover, De Forest and Arbor take part in the performance. The drama is announced for repetition every evening during the present week and at the Saturday matinée.

FRENCH PLAYS.

The third representation of the series of French performances at Rubinson Hall occurs to-morrow evening. "Le Meurtrier de Théodore"—the original of the burlesque called "Who Killed Cock Robin"—will be acted. Several Saturday matinée performances, we learn, will also be entered upon without delay. M. JUIGNET does not slumber upon his laurels, and from his activity it seems not unlikely that the new birth of the Théâtre Français in New-York is close at hand.

Musical.

THE SEASON OF OPERA.

The sale of seats for the whole season of opera to open at the Academy of Music on Monday, was commenced yesterday. The sale of seats for single nights will be entered upon today. The performances to occur between March 4 and March 16 will be the last in which Mlle. CHRISTINE NILSSON and Mr. STRAKOSCH's other artists will take part in this City previous to their departure for Europe.

Miscellaneous.

NEW-YORK CIRCUS.

Mr. LENT has reproduced, in magnificent style, the fairy spectacle of "Cinderella," and the rising generation of play-goers flock to the New-York Circus to behold the substantial illustrations there supplied to the familiar nursery-tale. A better entertainment could certainly not be offered to the young. Old heads will also find their need of enjoyment in East Fourteenth-street. Every evening and at bi-weekly matinées a capital programme of scenes in the arena prefaces the spectacle. The performance of "Cinderella" is but a generous supplement of the regular and ever-attractive representation.

THE NEW-JERSEY LEGISLATURE.

Local Option—Colored Militia—Executive Appointment—County Judges.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

TRENTON, Feb. 27.—The reference of the General Local Option law to the Attorney-General, for his opinion as to its constitutionality, removes that subject from the Legislature, probably, for a fortnight to come. Bills applying to one of the wards of Newark, and to townships in Camden and Essex Counties, have been introduced, but will not be acted upon. Among the bills passed by the Senate, today, were the following: To incorporate the State Fruit Growers' Company; for the punishment of professional thieves; to incorporate the Monmouth Beach Company, for the development of a tract of land at Long Branch. The bill authorizing the purchase of MITCHELL's Atlas for the use of the public schools—one of the jobs of the session—was indefinitely postponed. None of the Anti-Erie Railroad bills have yet been moved in the House, it being understood that the Company has compromised its difficulties with the Paterson freighters, with whom the bills originated.

In joint meeting of the two Houses today County Judges were appointed as follows: JOHN GODFREY was appointed Judge of Atlantic County; JOHN I. KANOUSE, Judge of Morris County; JAMES M. NEWKIRK, Judge of Hudson County; JESSE STEWART, Jr., Judge of Warren County. The Governor today nominated Capt. HENRY W. MILLER and THOMAS S. NEGUS for Commissioners of Pilotage, and JOHN GARAGHTY and WM. TAYLOR, as Harbor-Masters for Jersey City, all of whom were confirmed by the Senate.

A bill was introduced in the House today to authorize the formation of ten companies of colored infantry, in addition to the present militia force of the State. Another bill provides for three Commissioners of Jurors in Hudson County, to be appointed by the Supreme Court, by whom all grand and petit jurors shall be drawn.

The latest plan for the reapportionment of the Congressional districts of the State gives the Republicans three certain and the Democratic two reliable districts, with two about equally divided between the parties.

The German Immigrant Society—Annual Report.

The German Immigrant Society has issued its annual report for 1871, from which it appears that the German immigration at this port during the past year amounted to 68,826, an increase of 19,826 as compared with the previous year. It has been ascertained that most of the present German immigration is directed to Illinois, Pennsylvania, Michigan, and Missouri. Among the Mormon emigrants for Utah, numbering 1,230, were seventeen Germans and sixty-three Swiss. The receipts of the Society during the year amounted to $23,168 27; the expenses were $11,156 17, leaving a balance of $12,001 60.

Funeral Services.

The funeral services of the late LE GRAND LOCKWOOD, the well-known broker, were held, yesterday, in the South Reformed Church, Fifth-avenue, corner of Twentieth-street. They were conducted by Rev. E. P. ROGERS, D. D., Rev. T. S. HASTINGS and Rev. Mr. WOODRUFF. The following gentlemen acted as pall-bearers: Messrs. Julius Wadsworth, Peter Hyzer, Alfred Havemeyer, E. S. Monroe, Jesse Hoyt, John [illegible]

Obituary Notes.

[illegible] Sunday morning, Feb. 25, in the 77th year of his age, Mr. JOHN DEVOE, a native of this City, and for many years a resident of Bergen, Hudson County, N. J. The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, on Thursday, at 11 A. M., from the late residence, No. 25 Tompkins-place, Brooklyn. Interment at Philadelphia, Bentown and Western express leaves foot of Whitehall-st. [illegible] Friends and relatives are invited to attend funeral services at Mr. Gardner's residence, on Wednesday, at 11 o'clock A. M. The remains will be taken to Hartford for interment.

FULLERTON.—At Gardner, Mass., Feb. 25, 1872, ARTHUR WARREN, eldest son of F. W. and Emily Fullerton, aged 8 years, 4 months, and 21 days.

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Services at the residence of his parents, Woodside, on Wednesday, afternoon, the 7th, o'clock. Relatives and friends of the family invited without further notice. Interment on Thursday, at White Plains Cemetery, Westchester County, New-York.

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Remains will be taken to Stockbridge on Wednesday morning for interment.

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The relatives and friends and those of her brothers, Edward Henry and J. Lawrence Harries, are invited to attend the funeral at St. James's Church, Smithtown, on Thursday, 29th inst., at 2 P. M. Carriages will be in waiting at the Grand Central Depot on the arrival of the train that leaves the Grand Central Depot at 10 A. M., New-York, and Harlem Railroad.

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REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

Although the attendance at the Exchange Saturday, Feb. 17, was small, and the class of real estate offered by different auctioneers in nearly instituted Republic, the market was yet characterized by no good feeling as has been exhibited of late, and business had tended. This may arise from the fact that no single one of the prospected transactions was of special importance; and that the greater proportion of the property brought to the yard was at public auction and in single lots. On the Street business is active, and the inquiry for well-located up-town lots is strong. Considerable is also doing in rents. The following is a review of the business transacted at the Exchange:

MULLER, WILKINS & CO., at public auction, sold City real estate as follows: Three-story frame store, dwelling and lot, No. 319 Bleecker-street, east side, between Minetta and Carmine streets; sold for $19,050; ANDREW VERITY, purchaser. Two four-story Philadelphia-basement brick houses, Nos. 223 and 225 East Thirty-first-street, north side, between Second and Third avenues; sold for $10,500 and $11,000 respectively; J. M. BARTLETT, purchaser. Three-story high-stoop brown-stone front house and lot, No. 12 West Forty-second-street, (Morris-place,) south side, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues; sold for $9,800; purchaser, A. B. KELLY. Two-story and basement frame house and lot, on the south side of East One Hundred and Twenty-first-street, 225 feet east of Fourth-avenue; sold for $1,100; purchaser, P. HAZARD. One lot, on the north side of Sixty-first-street, 325 10 feet west of Ninth-avenue, with party-wall on east line; sold for $7,100 to MICHAEL McDERMOTT; two lots adjoining above sold for $7,150 and $6,900 respectively; purchasers, GEO. WIENKAMP and PATRICK MEANEY. Also two lots of land on the south side of Jefferson-avenue, 175 feet west of Samuel-avenue, in the town of Tremont, Westchester County, sold for $180 each; purchaser, E. D. MATTHEWS. The following property was in addition offered by the same firm and duly noted received. As one not sold however, at the values in each instance, placed upon the reality by the owners thereof was not reached. Twenty-four lots of land on the north side of One Hundred and Twenty-first-street, and south side of One Hundred and Twenty-second-street, 25 feet deep, with a reserve A; extending to the Harlem River, with water front of 100 feet, and 25 feet deep, with a reserve B; also the lot fronting on the Harlem River, 100 feet deep. These lots adjoining the above, and on the same side of Elm-street, between Canal and Howard streets, known as Nos. 118, 120 and 122, with three-story brick building thereon, plot in size 75 by about 80 feet; $21,000 bid. Two lots on the north side of Canal-street, between Mott and Hester streets, known as Nos. 191 and 193, each 25 by 100; $20,000 apiece bid. These lots belong to the estate of GOUVERNEUR M. WILKINS, deceased, and a three-story frame house and lot on the south side of Canal-street, between Thirty-fifth and Thirty-sixth streets, New-York, south of Madison-avenue; $4,100 bid. Two lots on Sixty-first-street, adjoining those above noticed as sold, and two additional Tremont lots, also advertised for sale, were withdrawn without being sketched. The Tremont City sale of 4 lots and 50 on Fourteenth-street was on Monday, and generally announced for yesterday. The sale, unless adjourned, will take place to-morrow.

WM. KEMBLE, at public auction, disposed of a three-story high-stoop brown-stone front house and lot, known as No. 216 West Twenty-fourth-street, south side, between Ninth and Tenth avenues, for $20,100; purchased by Jas. Cochran for a party interested in the disposition of the property. The same auctioneer also sold two lots on the south side of West One Hundred and Twenty-ninth-street, 175 feet west of Eighth-avenue, the latter forming a plot in size 50 feet by 99, with his entrance from One Hundred and Twenty-eighth-street, 8 by 99.11; sold in one parcel to HENRY HOGMAN for $12,600.

E. H. LUDLOW & CO. offered at public auction, by order of the trustees of the Collegiate Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of City of New-York, the leases of the plot of ground now occupied by the "Old North Church," bounded by Fulton, William and Ann streets. The fee of the property cannot be sold, but a lease for twenty-one years with two covenants of renewal for two similar terms of 7 years was offered. No sale, however, was effected, although a bid of $4,400 per year was received.

B. P. FAIRCHILD, through JOHN H. WILSON, auctioneer, by order of Marcus F. Hodges, receiver of the Excelsior Insurance Company, sold at auction a four-story lease of the premises lately occupied by the Company, known as Nos. 319 and 321 Broadway, with privilege of renewal for twenty-one years, the lease being dated May 1, 1864, and expiring May 1, 1874. The same, so far as we could ascertain, was for the building, with lot 25 by about 103, sold subject to a mortgage or county, with taxes and assessments, of $27,000 and interest. The highest bid made was $16,000, a figure far below its real worth. As to the sale, an undue haste was manifested in the manner in which it was carried through, and had more publicity been given to the transaction, and the details of the property offered, as well as the terms of sale more fully and plainly stated, a larger sum would undoubtedly have been realized toward the liquidation of the Company; in fact we were subsequently informed by a gentleman, who, owing to representations made prior to the sale, that everything would be all right, and accordingly did not attend, that he was ready to make an offer that he would have hesitatingly and willing to have paid $10,000 for the lease sold. The office furniture of the Company, comprising three safes and other valuable assets, were subsequently sold at auction to the purchaser of the lease for $1,000.

The last sale of the day was conducted by Johnson & Miller, who, by order of the heirs of the estate of JOHN F. MEAD, deceased, sold the following Brooklyn real estate: Corner of the south side of Warren-street, between Hamilton and Clinton avenues, sold to Peter Demarest for $21,000 bid; the lot is 50 feet on Hamilton-avenue, between Schenectady and Utica avenues, sold to D. C. Flint for $600 each; twenty-two lots, eleven each on Chauncey and Marcy streets, between Howard and Saratoga avenues, belonging to the same estate, were sold for $600 bid; two lots on Herkimer-street

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The fast sailing steamer ANNIE, Capt. Lewis, will sail on THURSDAY, Feb. 29, at noon P. M., promptly, from Pier No. 4 North River.

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HERMAN LIVINGSTON, Capt. Thompson, THURSDAY, Feb. 29, from Pier 54 North River, at 3 P. M.

LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., Agents,
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WM. R. GARRISON, Agent,
No. 2 Bowling-green.

MONTGOMERY, Capt. Hawkins, SATURDAY, March 9, from Pier No. 16 North River, at 3 P. M.

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No. 6 Wall-st.

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Insurance by this line ONE-HALF PER CENT. Superior accommodations for passengers.

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NOTICE TO TRAVELERS.

Families contemplating going to Europe on the Continent of Europe, who can afford the expense of a courier, should never leave Paris without one. Their services are invaluable in relieving the traveler from the difficulty of cares and troubles incident to a journey, examination and conveyance of baggage, procuring the best accommodation, in protecting the traveler from imposition and in many other instances, in which they are regarded in various parts of the Continent. Competent and trustworthy couriers and traveling servants may always be obtained by applying to the COURIER SOCIETY, No. 3 Rue d'Alger, near the Tuileries Gardens, Paris.

UNITED STATES PASSPORT BUREAU.—Used in obtaining Passports, for the use of travelers, issued by J. B. HOWLES, Passport Agent, No. 91 Duane-st., corner of Broadway.

FINANCIAL.

97 1-2 AND INTEREST.

NEW-JERSEY MIDLAND

FIRST MORTGAGE

7 Per Cent. Gold Bonds,

GUARANTEED

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Road nearly completed. The Company assure us that TRAINS WILL BE RUNNING THE ENTIRE LENGTH of the New-Jersey section of the new Trunk Line to Canada and the West EARLY IN MARCH NEXT.

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DRAW SIGHT AND TIME BILLS ON THE

UNION BANK OF LONDON.

THE UNION BANK HAS A CAPITAL OF £4,000,000 STERLING, AND DEPOSITS, OVER £18,000,000 STERLING.

As it is one of the oldest and strongest of the London Joint Stock Banks, Time Bills drawn upon it always discount at the lowest market rates, and its very large cash resources enable us to DRAW DEMAND on the most favorable terms.

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The NEW-YORK MIDLAND CONVERTIBLE BONDS, secured by Mortgage to $6 a mile, and one of the most desirable and will prove one of the most profitable investments offered in this market for years.

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REAL ESTATE AND FIRE INSURANCE AGENCY,

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Property bought, sold and rented. Insurance effected. Bonds, mortgages and loans negotiated. Particular attention to the management of property and estates intrusted to their care.

BRANCH OFFICE OF THE

QUEEN (FIRE) INSURANCE CO.

CAPITAL, $2,000,000 STERLING.

PROPOSALS FOR $325,000 CITY FUND BONDS OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.

Sealed proposals will be received at the Comptroller's office, until 12 M. on SATURDAY, March 2, 1872, at 12 o'clock, P. M., when the same will be publicly opened, for the whole or any part of the sale of $325,000 of Bonds of the City of New-York, viz.:

Park Bonds, issued under L. 1871, chapter 324, section 6, laws of 1871, payable in 20 yrs. from date.

Additional new Croton Aqueduct Stock, authorized by chapter 330, laws of 1870, payable Aug. 1, 1900, $175,000.

Said Stock and Bonds will bear interest at the rate of Six per Cent. per annum, payable on the 1st day of May and November, in each year.

The proposals for the purchase of Stock and Bonds desired, and the price per $100 thereof; and the persons whose proposals are accepted will thereupon be required to deposit the stock with the Comptroller, and to pay the amount of the stock with any premium thereon, which they will be entitled to, for certification for equal amounts of the par value of the sums awarded to them, bearing interest from the date of payment.

Each proposal should be sealed and indorsed "Proposals for Stocks and Bonds of the City of New-York," and inclosed in a second envelope addressed to the Comptroller.

No bids will be considered at less than par.

The right is reserved on the part of the Controller to reject any or all of the bids, if in his judgment the interests of the Corporation require it.

ANDREW H. GREEN, Controller.

City of New-York, Department of Finance, Controller's Office, Feb. 23, 1872.

UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Union Pacific Railroad Company to elect officers for the ensuing year, and to transact any other business which may legally come before the meeting, will be held at the office of the Company, Sears Building, Boston, on WEDNESDAY, March 6, 1872, at 10 o'clock A. M.

Transfer books will be closed after Saturday, the 24th inst.

THOMAS A. SCOTT, President.

E. H. ROLLINS, Secretary.

BOSTON, Feb. 19, 1872.

5, 7 AND 8 PER CENT. CITY BONDS,

of NEW-YORK CITY,
of JERSEY CITY,
of HOUSTON, TEX.

FOR SALE

BY

GEO. K. SISTARE,
No. 10 Wall-st.

BROWN BROTHERS & CO.,

NO. 59 WALL-ST.

ISSUE COMMERCIAL AND TRAVELERS' CREDITS AVAILABLE IN all PARTS of the WORLD.

NEW-AMSTERDAM FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.—Notice is hereby given that the subscriber, appointed by the Supreme Court, Receiver of the property and effects of the New-Amsterdam Fire Insurance Company of New-York, hereby gives notice that he has taken possession of the said Company, at his office, No. 19 Broadway, New-York City, on the 5th day of March, 1871, at 3 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of liquidating the affairs of said Company, and all persons having claims against said Company are hereby notified and required to exhibit the same to the undersigned, at his said office, on or before the 1st day of April, 1872.

JOHN T. DEVOE, Receiver.

FINANCIAL.

6 PER CENT. GOLD

INTEREST PAYABLE QUARTERLY.

FREE OF GOVERNMENT TAX.

9 1-4 Per Cent. Upon the Investment.

SIXTY PER CENT. MORE INCOME THAN UPON GOVERNMENT BONDS.

AND AN UNDOUBTED SECURITY.

FIRST MORTGAGE SINKING FUND BONDS, (COUPON AND REGISTERED)

ISSUE LIMITED TO $16,000 PER MILE.

In denominations of $1,000 and $500.

OF THE

Logansport, Crawfordsville and Southwestern Railway, of Indiana.

Price 90 and Accrued Interest.

This Road, nineteen miles in length, seventy of which are in actual operation, runs southwestward from Logansport to Crawfordsville, passing centrally through five of the wealthiest and most productive counties of Indiana, intersecting with all railway facilities, and penetrating for Twelve Miles of its Southern extension the Celebrated Block Coal Fields of Parke County, it adjoins the extensive collieries owned by Chicago, Indiana, Cincinnati, Fort Wayne, Logansport and other capital, which manufacture products for the Block Coal, lately in such large demand, Evansville, Canton, Cairo, and other populous portions of this rich Agricultural and Mineral section of the State.

For the support of after a limited number of these First Mortgage Bonds at 90 and accrued Interest, we currently offer exchange them for United States Bonds or other marketable securities at the cause of the day.

At the above price these Bonds yield to the investor 9¼ per cent. Interest, more than the Bonds of the United States, and are unhesitatingly recommended thus to all classes of investors, as affording the most desirable security with liberal interest.

Further and full particulars, with a pamphlet and Maps furnished by us on personal or written application.

JONES & SCHUYLER,
NO. 11 PINE-ST., NEW-YORK,
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Road Finished and Earning Expenses

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MAKING LIBERAL ADVANCES.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

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CITY AND COUNTY BONDS,

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10 and 12 Per Cent.

CHOICE SECURITIES,

PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYABLE IN NEW-YORK.

AT A LARGE REDUCTION BELOW PAR.

FOR SALE BY

Albert H. Nicolay,

Banker, Stock Broker and Auctioneer,
No. 2 Pine-st.

Montclair Railway Company,

No. 20 NASSAU-ST.

The Coupons and Registered Bonds due March 1, 1872, on the First Mortgage Bonds of this Company will be paid at the office of Messrs. LEONARD, SHELDON & FOSTER, No. 9 Wall-st., on and after that date.

H. R. LOW, Treasurer.

A FEW CAREFULLY SELECTED

10 Per Cent. Bonds,

For sale by

George Opdyke & Co.,
No. 55 Nassau-st.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED by the undersigned, the Mayor of the City of St. Louis, at his office, in said City, on the 25th day of March, proximo, for the purchase of

FIVE HUNDRED $ ST. LOUIS CITY

BONDS.

issued by authority of an act to authorize the City of St. Louis to issue and dispose of additional bonds to enable it to extend and protect its water works, approved Feb. 2, 1872.

Said bonds are for $1,000 each, to be dated April 1, 1872, having twenty years to run with interest at the rate of six per cent. payable semi-annually on the 1st day of April and October, respectively, in gold coin of the United States, in the City of New-York, where the principal is also made payable in gold coin.

The net revenue derived from the Water works is pledged for the redemption of the bonds now issued, and for the payment of the interest on same; to secure the bonds interest-bearing under the act approved March 16, 1867, and March 14, 1870.

Bids will be received for any number of the bonds in excess of the five hundred, and the bids will be publicly opened in the office of the Mayor, on the day and place above stated.

The Mayor reserves the right to reject any or all bids, if the interest of the City requires it, and no bid will be received for less than the face value of the bonds.

The new subscribers to the stock of the bonds can be sent as instructed in the Mayor's office.

Bids may be made payable to the order of the National Bank of the Republic, in New-York City.

The bonds will be delivered at the City of St. Louis to the purchasers, on the 1st day of May, 1872, or at the option of the purchaser, at the Bank of the Republic, in New-York City, on the same date, upon such terms as may be agreed upon between the purchaser and the Mayor.

Bids must be accompanied by a certified check, which will be required to accompany each bid, to insure compliance with the bids.

CHARLES P. BROWN, Mayor.

Attest: JOHN T. BENEVILLE, Comptroller.

St. Louis, Feb. 19, 1872.

INDIANAPOLIS, BLOOMINGTON AND WESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY.—Notice is hereby given that the Indianapolis, Bloomington and Western Railway Company will be ready to pay the coupons of the Consolidated Mortgage Bonds of the Company, due March 1, 1872, on and after that date, at the office of the Company, in Indianapolis.

CHARLES DENNIS, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF HARTFORD AND NEW-HAVEN RAILROAD COMPANY,
HARTFORD, Feb. 21, 1872.

NOTICE.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a dividend of Five per Cent. on the capital stock of this Company, payable on and after March 1, 1872, at the office of the Treasurer, in this city, or at Hartford, on the first Friday in March.

S. P. CONNER, Secretary.

HARTFORD, FEB. 21, 1872.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE this day declared a Semi-annual Dividend of Five per Cent., free of all taxes, payable on and after the 1st day of March, 1872, to the stockholders of record at the close of business, March 1, 1872.

J. LAWRENCE, Comptroller.

THE COUPONS DUE MARCH 1, 1872, of the outstanding First Mortgage Bonds of the Montclair Railway Company will be paid on and after that date, at the office of the Company, in Newark, N. J.

GEORGE OPDYKE & CO.

NEW-YORK, FEB. 26, 1872.

NOTICE.—TOWN OF FLUSHING FREE Ferry Company.—Notice is hereby given that the corporation of the town of Flushing, N. Y., will be ready to pay the coupons of the Ferry Company, due March 1, 1872, at the office of the Ferry Company, on and after March 1, 1872.

E. A. LAWRENCE,
Chairman.

RAILROADS.

NEW-YORK CENTRAL & HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD.

Commencing on Sunday, Nov. 26, 1871, Through Trains will leave from New-York as follows:

8.00 A. M. Chicago and Montreal Express, with drawing-room and sleeping cars through to Rochester and St. Louis.

10.00 A. M. Special Chicago Express, with dining-room cars to Buffalo and Niagara Falls.

12.00 M. Newburgh and Western Express.

4.00 P. M. Express, with sleeping cars for Albany.

4.00 P. M. Montreal Express with sleeping cars from New-York to St. Albans.

4.30 P. M. Express, with sleeping-cars for Rochester, Buffalo and Niagara Falls (also, for Chicago via both L. S. and M. C. Railroads) and St. Louis via Toledo, Sundays excepted.

11.00 P. M. Express, with sleeping-cars for Troy and Albany.

All local trains connect, south at Yonkers, north from new depot, Yonkers special trains from foot of Chambers-st., or Cortlandt-st.

C. H. KENDRICK, General Passenger Agent.

LONG ISLAND RAILROAD.

On and after MONDAY, Oct. 2, 1871, trains will leave Jamaica as follows:

8.00 A. M. Rockaway, Cedar Creek, Lower Valley, Hempstead and Hempstead Branches.

2.45 P. M. Hicksville and Way, Harbor Extension, Port Jefferson and Greenport.

4.30 P. M. Express train for Rockaway, Cedar Creek, Lower Valley, Hempstead and Northport.

6.15 P. M. Hicksville way-train.

All trains for Manhattan, Northport, Bowman, Cedar Creek and Lower Valley leave Hunter's Point at 8.30 A. M. and 4 P. M.

STEAMBOATS.

THE GRANDCHOSEN AND ALL POINTS on Hudson and Newburgh Railroad—Pier, 41, Fulton-st., foot of Wall-st., connecting with road.

FOOT OF BEAVER, MARTINSEN, and the South Shaver, leave Fulton-st., New-Haven at 8.30 and 11 A. M., connecting with road.

MISCELLANEOUS.

A—AT NO. 681 BROADWAY, McLEWEE & PUTNAM'S ILLUMINATIONS, of all sorts, for night, crystal prismatic day and night, simple, durable and ornamental. Call and see.

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BEDSTEADS, SPRING AND FOUR-POST, $10 each; Mattresses, $3 each; Feathers, 75c. per lb.; Bedding in proportion. Wholesale and retail. Factory, 172 Mercer-st., near Prince-st. W. A. WILLIS, No. 19 Broadway.

HORSES AND CARRIAGES.

A—CARRIAGES, PHAETONS, ROCKAWAYS, BUSINESS WAGONS, SLEIGHS, SLEDS, &c., of every description, from the cheapest to the finest in the City. Call and see.

CHILDERS'.

FOR SALE—A PAIR OF SORREL MARES, 6 and 7 years old, 15½ hands high, sound and kind, with or without harness. Inquire at No. 27 West 27th-st.

TO LET—STABLE NO. 22 WEST 30TH-ST., with or without harness. Inquire at No. 27 West 27th-st.

A—ROCKAWAYS, PHAETONS, TOP AND PLAIN BUGGIES, second-hand horses; cheapest in the City. Call and see.

BAPTASE, No. 148 Bleecker-st.

NOTICE.—IN THE OFFICE OF THE City Comptroller, City of New-York, February 26, 1872. Sealed proposals will be received at this office, until 12 M. of March 1, 1872, for furnishing the City with Hay, Straw, Oats and Corn. Specifications can be seen at the office.

WM. MUSGRAVE, Comptroller.

BOARDING AND LODGING.

ROOMS, $10 TO $15 PER WEEK, BETWEEN BROADWAY AND 4TH-AVE. Apply at Central Hotel, 104 Grand Street. White Sulphur Springs, Berry Valley, Otsego County, New-York, will open for the season on March 1.

CHARLES F. OWEN, BREMEN TO Chicago, 110 Dearborn-st., and Milwaukee, 1 Wisconsin-st., Milwaukee, Wis., will meet emigrants at Bremen and Chicago, and forward them to their destination, free of charge, if they purchase their tickets of us.

NO. 231 10TH-ST., NEAR 6TH-AV.—A Large room on second floor, with single or double beds, to rent. Rooms for gentlemen, from $3 per week. HOPE & STEWART, Proprietors.

NO. 28 WEST 13TH-ST., WITH BOARD.—A handsome parlor and bedroom, for a family or party of gentlemen, including Piano; also, other rooms, with or without board; given; a few table boarders can be accommodated.

$5 PER WEEK AND UPWARDS FOR single rooms; $6 and upwards for double rooms, $3 cents per Breakfast, Dinner and Supper. Commercial Hotel, No. 102 Hudson-st., corner of Laight. Watchman all night.

NO. 204 7TH-AV., TWO DOORS FROM 23d-st., with Board, large front parlor, suitable for two gentlemen.

PRIVAT HOTEL, NO. 20 WAVERLEY-PLACE, near Washington-square, with or without board. Terms moderate.

VERY PLEASANT FURNISHED ROOMS, for gentlemen only, without board, in a quiet family of a private family. No. 10 West 11th-st., near 5th-ave.

ST. JULIEN HOTEL, NOS. 1 AND 3 New Chambers-st., near Broadway. Rooms, $1 per night; $1 per week; $4 per week, with board; $6 per week. Meals 25 to 50 per cent.

A DESIRABLE ROOM FOR PHYSICIAN OF RESPONSIBILITY, one very pleasant, the Hotel, 4 Bond-st. Highly desirable for the accommodation with rent and attendance. Address, 1 A. M., Box No. 4,232 Post-office.

NO. 600 SIXTH-AV., CORNER OF 40TH-ST.—TO LET, with board, front parlor, suitable for a family or two gentlemen, or single gentleman; also, other rooms, single or double; board and terms moderate; board and reasonable board.

ROOMS, OR BOARD AND ROOMS, in a private family, in an elegantly furnished house, near Madison-square; terms moderate. Address, M. M., Times Up-town Office, No. 1,257 Broadway.

NO. 25 WEST 22D-ST.—FURNISHED rooms, with board, large or small, suitable for a party or single gentlemen, or gentlemen and wife. Reference exchanged.

NO. 302 WEST 35TH-ST.—A PRIVATE family will let the use of two rooms with board to a gentleman; good neighborhood and convenient location.

TO LET, SUNNYSIDE—THE SECOND floor of a private house, furnished for light housekeeping or physician. Call at No. 27 East 20th-st., near Broadway.

NO. 23 EAST 12TH-ST.—TWO VERY lovely furnished rooms on second floor, including gas, with Breakfast, board at moderate rates; also third floor.

NO. 48 WEST 30TH-ST.—A LARGE room, suitable for gentleman and wife; also, Single room, with board, if desired.

$6 TO $10 PER WEEK.—LARGE WELL-furnished rooms, with board, to families or single persons; table board, $4 per week. 120 Bleecker-st.

NO. 16 EAST 17TH-ST.—A SUITE OF rooms without board for gentlemen only, between Union-square and 4th-av.

MADISON-SQUARE—FRONT ROOM, SECOND story, with board. No. 24 Madison-av.

FIFTH-AV., NO. 164.—NEWLY FURNISHED front rooms, just vacated, to let.

BANKRUPT NOTICES.

DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of WM. A. PARKER GRAHAM, of the City of New-York, and THEODORE E. FISHER, Quartermaster, in Bankruptcy.—Notice is hereby given that said bankrupt filed his petition in bankruptcy in said Court against the estate of said William A. Parker Graham, Theodore E. Fisher and Fisher and Graham, of the City of New-York, on the 12th day of February, A. D. 1872, and that said petition was duly filed and the usual proceedings had thereon, and that the hearing of said petition will be held before the Court, at the City of New-York, on the 12th day of March, A. D. 1872, at 10 o'clock A. M., at which time and place any creditor of said bankrupt may appear and prove his debt, and show cause why the prayer of said petitioner should not be granted. Dated, New-York, February 12, 1872.

GEORGE E. SHARPE, Marshal.

DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED States, in the matter of the BOWLING-GREEN SAVINGS BANK, a corporation, Bankrupt.—Notice is hereby given that on the 12th day of February, A. D. 1872, a petition was filed in said District Court, against the above-named bankrupt, by the Commissioner of Public Works of the City of New-York, praying that said bankrupt may be adjudged to be a bankrupt under the act of Congress, and that the hearing of said petition will be held before said Court, at the City of New-York, on the 12th day of March, A. D. 1872, at 10 o'clock A. M., at which time and place any creditor of said bankrupt may appear and show cause why the prayer of said petitioner should not be granted. Dated, New-York, February 12, 1872.

GEORGE E. SHARPE, Marshal.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of WILLIS BRISTOL, 2d, TIMOTHY B. PARKER and WILLIAM H. HUNTINGTON (GEORGE H. HUNTINGTON, deceased), Bankrupts.—Notice is hereby given that on the 12th day of February, A. D. 1872, a petition was filed in said District Court, against the above-named bankrupts, by Timothy B. Parker and William H. Huntington, copartners, residing and doing business in New-York City, in the County of New-York, and State of New-York, within said district, where said bankrupts have been for the greater part of the last six months next preceding the filing of the said petition, that said bankrupts, on the 12th day of February, A. D. 1872, at New-York City, the day of the date of said petition, filed in said District Court a schedule of their debts, and a schedule of their property and rights of property, and that said petition will be heard before said Court, at the City of New-York, on the 12th day of March, A. D. 1872, at 10 o'clock A. M., at which time and place any creditor of said bankrupts may appear and show cause why the prayer of said petitioners should not be granted.

GEORGE E. SHARPE, Marshal.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New-York.—In the matter of ALFRED E. DUNLAP, bankrupt.—Notice is hereby given that on the 12th day of February, A. D. 1872, a petition was filed in said District Court, against the above-named bankrupt, by the Commissioner of Public Works of the City of New-York, praying that said bankrupt may be adjudged to be a bankrupt under the act of Congress, and that the hearing of said petition will be held before said Court, at the City of New-York, on the 12th day of March, A. D. 1872, at 10 o'clock A. M., at which time and place any creditor of said bankrupt may appear and show cause why the prayer of said petitioner should not be granted.

R. C. MELVILLE, Clerk.

FINE ARTS.

ON THE 1ST OF MARCH.

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AMUSEMENTS.

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MILLE. NILSSON.

Engagement for the remaining nine evenings of the Italian Opera Company, under the management of MAURICE STRAKOSCH and HARLAN HOSKINS.

ITALIAN OPERA.

Will commence on MONDAY, March 4, when will be produced the grand opera of

MIGNON.

Music by Ambroise Thomas.

MLLE. CHRISTINE NILSSON in her

MIGNON.

Wilhelm Meister ..... Mlle. Nilsson
Frederic ..... Mlle. Cary
Lothario ..... Guadagnini
Laerte ..... Lucchesi
Giarno ..... Barili
Giarno ..... Storace

WEDNESDAY EVENING, March 6, F

HANK SMITH AGAIN.

He Compromises with the Bowling-Green Bank Victims for $80,000.

Stormy Meeting of the Depositors Last Night —Opposition to a Compromise—Hank Smith's Books—More Leases from the City Discovered.

THE BOWLING-GREEN BANK.

Stormy Meeting of Depositors Last Night —Hank Smith's Offer to Pay $80,000 Accepted.

A meeting of the depositors of the Bowling-green Savings Bank took place last night, at No. 75 Greenwich-street, with Mr. JOHN FOX in the chair. Mr. JOHN H. WHITE recapitulated the proceedings of the Depositors's Committee since the collapse of the bank. Mr. SMITH, the speaker said, proposed to pay over, in cash and securities, the sum of $80,000—$10,000 in cash at once, the rest to be paid at intervals during the next six months. Mr. ROCHE, also may be brought to terms, and in all he expected that the depositors would receive seventy-five cents on the dollar. Mr. FOX, in alluding to HANK SMITH's offer, said, I think it as well as we can do under the circumstances. I don't see how there can be any more, and I recommend it to the depositors.

Mr. COBLTON said: I do not believe in SMITH's proposal, or in making any settlement with him. SMITH says that he does not owe the bank a dollar; if that is so, why does he offer to pay $80,000? I move that HANK SMITH and the others be criminally prosecuted. Mr. WHITE said he believed as a matter of law that all the trustees were responsible for the deficiency, but that SMITH, as one of them, offered to pay the sum, and if the depositors did not accept this offer it would be the last chance that SMITH would give them.

A depositor said he did not believe that HANK SMITH would pay a dollar if he was not forced to do so. Mr. FOX said that this was the first intelligible proposition that had been made.

A depositor wanted to know if the proposition of Mr. SMITH was accepted was there enough evidence to convict ROCHE, and make him disgorge his share of the robbery. In reply to this Mr. FOX said that ROCHE had exhausted his friends, and that if the other warrants out against him he would have to go to jail. ROCHE, he knew, was a wealthy man, and was moreover the most unmitigated scoundrel that walked the streets of New-York. He had never made the slightest attempt to secure the depositors.

Mr. CARLTON said that no settlement ought to be accepted from HANK SMITH and the other robbers. He would rather sacrifice every cent than not see HANK SMITH, ROCHE and SELMES all in Sing Sing.

One depositor said that he had been six years saving $6,000, and he was willing to lose every cent to see HANK SMITH in jail.

Mr. FOX spoke of putting the motion that SMITH's proposition be accepted. A storm of more greeted him, and it was with much difficulty that he could make himself heard. He pointed out that it was better to get $80,000 than nothing, and urged the depositors to accept the proposal.

A depositor said he was emphatically opposed to accepting SMITH's proposition, or compounding with his felony. When SMITH came there at the first meeting of the depositors he said, almost with tears in his eyes, that he had been among them for twenty-five years, and regard them all as brothers. That he had not defrauded them out of one cent, but nevertheless he would see that they were all paid dollar for dollar. He then put forth a statement that the deficit of the bank was only $71,000. And now, when through his robbery he has made poor men of all of them, and ruined depositors who put all their earnings into his hands to have to beg from door to door for bread by day, and sleep in the station-houses at night, he comes and offers them $80,000 to acquit him of all responsibility. He did not rob them of one cent, and yet he offers $80,000 to let him off and to punish them.

Much further violent discussion took place, after which the motion that SMITH's proposal be accepted was carried by a small majority.

After the announcement of the acceptance of the proposal, the depositor who had already said that he was willing to sacrifice his $6,000 to convict SMITH, said that he looked upon it as a deep disgrace that honest men should have to compound with the robberies of scoundrels like HANK SMITH, ROCHE and SELMES.

The Chairman here explained that it would be necessary that all the depositors should agree upon this proposition, and that purpose a legal form would be drawn up for their signature. The meeting then adjourned at the call of the Chair.

In conversation with Mr. FOX and others of the Committee, it was learned that ROCHE had so far persistently refused to come to any terms with the depositors. $400,000 worth of real estate he transferred to the Guardian Savings Bank will not be needed there, and application was made by Mr. FOX that it should be transferred to the Bowling-green Bank. This was refused, and Mr. FOX states that he is convinced that the conveyance to the Guardian Bank was made by ROCHE with the purpose of defrauding the depositors of the Bowling-green Bank. It was also learned that immediately on the collapse of the bank, REEVES E. SELMES, the Secretary, abstracted sixty-five of the vouchers, and but about 10 per cent of them have been returned, and only those of ROCHE, SELMES and ROCHE, Seventy still in possession of SELMES are supposed to implicate others in many criminal transactions, which, so far, have remained unpunished.

HANK SMITH'S DOCKS.

Additional Township Finds—Extensive Leases of the Sinking Fund Commissioners—More to the City to Buy Back.

The TIMES several days ago called attention to the fact that HANK SMITH had been systematically plundering the City for the past eight years by evading payment of rent due the City from the lease of Pier No. 42 North River. The amount out of which the City has been swindled in this instance has reached the respectable sum of $21,000, the indebtedness and increasing at the rate of $208 33½ per month, exclusive of interest. In the meantime SMITH is drawing an enormous subsidy from the Albany Steam-boat Line for this very pier, and will, no doubt, continue to do so until the expiration of his lease, May 1, 1875.

Since the publications of these facts it has been ascertained that the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, of whom A. OAKEY HALL was a prominent member, have been lavish in their bestowal of valuable leases upon HANK SMITH, and have allowed him to hold for long periods four other valuable piers and bulkheads on North and East Rivers at a nominal rental. This property is, of course, sublet by SMITH for large amounts. The first of these little jobs was the possession of Pier No. 20 East River, at the foot of Peck-slip. It was leased to SMITH for ten years from May 1, 1866, to May 1, 1876, at $16.50 per annum, nominal rental. This pier is sublet to SMITH's Albany steam-boat line, and is used by the day-boats. The second privilege that SMITH received from his friends, the Sinking Fund Commissioners, was the lease of an entire bulkhead at the foot of Hoboken-street, North River, and his interests were bestowed verbally and for an indefinite number of years, as the books of the Dock Commission show. He subrents the bulkhead to the Albany line for a handsome sum, while he pays to the City the insignificant amount of $750 per annum. The third donation by the Sinking Fund Commission was in February, 1872. This property is located on the East River, and is described in the books of the Dock Commission as the east half of Pier No. 4 and the west half of Pier No. 6; the bulkhead included. SMITH subrents for $6,[illegible] to the agent of the Albany barges, and realizes a handsome profit therefrom, as he pays the City only $2,000 annually, the lease extending to the 1st of February, 1875.

The fourth lease to SMITH was made on the 1st of February, 1870, and consists of the east half of Pier No. 4 and the west half of Pier No. 6, with the bulkhead on East River. This property is subrented by Messrs. SCHUYLER & CO., for which SMITH receives a very handsome consideration. The City is supposed to receive as compensation the sum of $5,000 per annum. This amount has always been promptly paid when due, but it must be added that the lessees, WHITELER & CO., and not by HANK SMITH, who subrents above, is paid in addition by the Messrs. SCHUYLER for the privilege of a dock for which SMITH does not pay the City a cent, but receives the greater portion of the rental. This plum Mr. Henry SMITH will enjoy until the 1st of February, 1875. It will thus be seen that SMITH is receiving large sums that really belong to the City.

Shooting Affray in a Hell-House.

At 11½ o'clock last night, JOHN DONOHUE, of No. 108 East Fifty-fourth-street, and JOHN CURRIE, of No. 44 West Sixteenth-street, being partially intoxicated, attempted to force their way into the ball-room at Military Hall, No. 106 Bowery, where a ball was in progress. As the intruders were not provided with the requisite tickets, RICHARD D. COOK, of No. 97 Jefferson-street, the door-keeper, refused to admit them. A scuffle ensued, and during the fracas COOK drew a revolver and shot DONOHUE in the left shoulder, inflicting a severe wound. An officer found CURRIE, several citizens secured DONOHUE, and COOK was arrested and taken to the Sixteenth-street Police Station. DONOHUE was attended by Drs. RAVILLE and CARMICHAEL, and the bullet, which had lodged in the fleshy portion of the thigh, was extracted, and he was then taken to Bellevue Hospital. COOK and CURRIE were locked up at the Station-house, and will be arraigned at the Essex Market Police Court today.

FORTY-SECOND CONGRESS.

SECOND SESSION.

SENATE—Washington, Tuesday, Feb. 25.

Mr. ANTHONY presented the memorial of the American Peace Society, and a petition signed by more than 1,000 citizens, in favor of arbitration as a means of settling international disputes.

ABOUTER AND PARKER.

Mr. CAMERON presented the joint resolution of the California Legislature in favor of the establishment of certain mail routes in California and Nevada. Mr. RAMSEY, from the Committee on Post-offices, reported the House bill for the relief of P. E. BARTHAN, Postmaster of Orleans, and it was passed. Mr. SHERMAN, from the Committee on Finance, reported back a bill to admit, free of duty, photographs to be exhibited at the National Photographic Exhibition at Cleveland, which passed. Mr. CONKLING called up a resolution requesting the President to send to the Senate a statement of the recommendations for appointments to office made by the Senators from New-York, Illinois, Missouri, Nebraska and South Carolina. Mr. FRYE regretted the introduction of the resolution as Mr. CONKLING said he had offered the resolution with the intention of placing the truth or falsity of the charge on record, that he had been the cause of the dismissal of a great deal of Executive patronage and was hanging on to the skirts of power to preserve it. Mr. SCHURZ said that the investigation could not be postponed if were general. Mr. TRUMBULL offered his amendment, suggested yesterday, that the Senate should by resolution form the Senator at whose instance the tabulated statement of his (Mr. TRUMBULL's) recommendations, spoken of by Mr. MORTON on Friday, was made out, and whether similar statements were made out of the recommendations made by other Senators. Mr. CONKLING accepted the amendments.

THE SALE OF ARMS.

At the expiration of the morning hour the resolution went over and the Senate resumed the consideration of the Sumner resolution. Mr. MORTON said he hoped the Senate would sit it out today. Mr. WRIGHT, of Iowa, addressed the Senate. The debate on the pending resolution had taken a very wide range and therefore he might be pardoned for saying a few words on one of the subjects which had wasted much time of this session. He then proceeded to give his reasons why he would not vote for amnesty, either universal or general. He would not vote for either, because he believed it to be more important that this Government should be just then that it should forgive unrepentant rebels and place them on a level politically with loyal men. Passing to the pending resolution, he said whatever others might do he would not vote for it, with or without the preamble, because the discussion had shown beyond all question that there was no warrant whatever for an investigation. He believed if it had been demonstrated beyond all doubt that there was absolutely nothing to throw the least suspicion upon the action of its officials, he would even venture to appeal to the mover of the resolution (Mr. SUMNER) to say whether he believed that if the investigation should be ordered it would bring to light a single act of wrong in morals or law on the part of any one connected with our Government. Mr. SUMNER—I believe it will. Mr. WRIGHT—I had hoped that the Senator would have answered otherwise. Mr. SUMNER—Oh, no. Mr. WRIGHT continued to argue that there was nothing in the matter demanding investigation. Who now believed in the alleged discrepancy between the accounts of the War Department and those of the Treasury, or in the alleged violation of our neutral obligations, or in any of the grounds adduced, even for suspicion of wrong-doing in this matter? And if an attempt to make a case for investigation had failed, why should the Senate order an investigation? But he would vote against the resolution, also, because it unjustly reflected upon the Secretary of the Treasury, War, a citizen of his own State. He knew the great worth of that officer, and his readiness to open his books and papers to the fullest scrutiny, and to have every official act of his laid bare; nay, he knew that the Secretary would not hesitate to resign if he found should vote for this resolution, but he could not consent to do so, because he believed it would be most unjust to subject him to a groundless investigation, and one which would at least imply wrong-doing. On his part he would oppose the resolution on the ground that there was no doubt in his mind but that at the National Administration and designed to impair its strength with the people. He was neither a Liberal, an Administration or a Anti-Administration Republican; he was simply a Republican, or if it was preferred, a Union Republican. He rejected all other qualifying designations. The Republican Party had needed no other name to enable it to conquer in 1868, and it would need no other name to conquer in the approaching Presidential campaign; further, he thought it beneath the dignity of the Senate to turn Police officer and searcher of records, and engage in the little business of running down the witnesses for another Government, which may or may not have been defrauded by its own agents, for he believed that was all there was in this case. Prussia had not complained; nobody had complained. There was no ground for the necessity or any suspicion of a violation of our neutral obligations, much more suspicion that France had been cheated by somebody, and certainly he could not consent that the Senate should turn aside from its legitimate business to settle that question. But if it argued anything in the investigation he refused to see that criminal would be attributed to improper motives. Even if that were so, it would be no reason for a Senator to vote against what he believed right and just. He did not think, however, that the people could be deceived by the outcry that could be made if their trusted servants should refuse to vote for investigations, and he would always vote for proper investigation for legitimate purposes, but he would not vote for this investigation, because he believed it was neither for the interests of the country at large nor for the protection of the rights of any of the citizens of this country. It was a fishing expedition, and he would vote against it, for the people had already decided that Gen. GRANT should accept of the Executive chair for another term. Mr. WADE thought it an improbable thing that the Senate of the United States should be called upon to frame a law relating to its own officials for a breach of the Neutrality laws. This bombshell had been thrown in the Republican camp by the Senator from Massachusetts, and it was, perhaps, a question worthy of consideration whether the Republican Party had a right to export such a bottle indecently from this quarter. He (Mr. WADE) expected to go as far at any one in making legislative investigations, and in vindicating our national character, but he did not propose to try to dig up something derogatory to that character in the means of maintaining it. Referring to the Liberal Republican Party, he said that the most that could be said of the resolutions comprising it was that they were not inconsistent with Republican principles, and, therefore, there was no reason why any Republicans should leave his party for the sake of them. Mr. SCHURZ, in reply to Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN's remarks yesterday, said that the Senator had made it appear that there was not a question of the violation of the Neutrality laws, it was nothing; and that seemed to imply that he (SCHURZ) and Mr. SUMNER had been engaged in trying to make up a case against the Administration. He (SCHURZ) was not impugned the motives of the Senators; he had merely spoken of the effect of their acts. He would not say that the Senator, but he would say that the measure, was unpatriotic. Mr. SCHURZ said although he was proud to have sprung from the great German race, yet he was proud, too, of his adoption as an American citizen and his interests, hopes and prospects were bound upon his American citizenship. As to the charge that this resolution was calculated to make trouble with Germany—when that country had not complained of the time, was it likely that it would do so now? The resolution was not meant for Germany. The case as it stood was emphatically our business and not Germany's, and the fact that no complaint or remonstrance had been made would make our voluntary action in the matter all the more creditable to us. As to our relations with foreign Powers, the only way in which mischief to us could come out of this matter was by wantonly undertaking to defend false pretences; and if any of our officials have wantonly betrayed us into such a position, it was our manifest interest to disavow their action, and to take a stand that we could honestly and faithfully defend. As to the questions of jurisdiction and delay which had been introduced into the debate, it was by doctrines and practices such as had been advocated here that parties were corrupted and destroyed and nations sometimes disgraced. Who were the true patriots. They who would advise the great American Republic to the weakness, cowardice and shame of shutting up what could not be covered up, in the hope that they mightnot be taken to account? Or they who, following the example of COBDEN and BRIGHT in the English Parliament, endeavored to raise the nation up to a higher plane of duty, where it could stand and say to the nations, "See here! we were not compelled to do this—this case was as remunerative, no complaint against us, but we did it because we thought it was right—we paid, we valued to be just to ourselves to being just to others?" Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN said that, as the alleged violation of a stamp, Mr. ELLIS, Chief of Ordnance, did not affect our relations with France, it was of no importance to stay now important it was. He read from the official reports to show that by the sales of arms made in violation of the Neutrality laws to the country was diminished, so that if any of the national difficulties that impended at some time had spread into a war it would have been found that the Chief of Ordnance had sold not merely the arms, but the defensive capacity of his country. This, he said, was established by the officer's own statement, and the speech of Mr. SUMNER gave notice that he would move an investigation.

To amend the resolution so as to direct the Committee to inquire also whether French money had been spent, directly or indirectly, in any movement that occurred, were rules in such questions as our party journals.

He then referred to Mr. SUMNER's remarks on the Chief Justice in New-York, and said that the President's Annual Message had contained that opinion in the case of Justice CHASE, that the Senate had not the power to change the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court, and that the Senate had not the power to change the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court in the case of Justice CHASE, and that the President had not the power to do so. Mr. SUMNER said that the Senate had not the power to change the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court upon the Geneva Order business, and said that although he had great respect for the Senator from Ohio, he had never heard a more unfortunate speech than that which he had just heard from the Senator from Ohio (Mr. WADE). He had never heard a more unfortunate speech than that which had just fallen